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Morning prayer

St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Diamondhead will have morning prayer at 8 a.m. and the Holy Eucharist at 10 a.m. today.

Sunday School for children and adults is held at 9 a.m. The 8 a.m. service will not be held in June, July and August.

For further information, call the office at 255-9213.

Luncheon cancelled

The annual Pass Christian Yacht Club luncheon, scheduled for May 25, has been cancelled due to inclement weather.

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County may owe P&H \$300,000

BY RICHARD MEEK

A state auditor may have stumbled onto nearly \$300,000 owed to the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission by the county Board of Supervisors.

P&H attorney Robert Genin said the Commission may be owed \$133,000 from one ac-

count and \$144,000 from another. He said a state auditor discovered the money that should have been earmarked for the P&H sitting in county coffers over a year ago.

According to Genin, a bond for \$1.75 million was issued in 1967 and another for \$2.6 million one year later. The money

was used to pay for dredging and other improvements at Port Bienville Industrial Park, which was constructed in 1964.

A two-mill levy was passed to pay for the first bond. The bond was retired in 1989, according to Genin, but county officials continued to collect the levy for an undetermined

amount of time.

With interest, the total sitting in that account is nearly \$133,000.

"That money is for industrial development and that's what it should be used for," Genin said.

It remains unclear how, or when the second bond was

retired. However, the accrued interest on that account totals \$144,000.

Genin said he believes the P&H is entitled to the monies in both accounts. Commission officials will present their case to the supervisors during the

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Blessing at risk

The annual Pass Christian Blessing of the Fleet has traditionally attracted large numbers of boaters and spectators. However, due to finances and other reasons, the blessing this year has been scaled back. Pass Mayor Billy McDonald vows to have a blessing. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

Fleet blessing scaled down

BY ED LEPOMA

The traditional blessing of the shrimp fleet is off this year in Pass Christian.

But Mayor Billy McDonald insists there will be some kind of blessing, and promised the city will take the celebration over next year.

"We're going to have something this year even if it means the boats stay in the harbor and a priest walks around and blesses them," said McDonald.

McDonald said the city is usually asked to contribute \$500 annually to offset police and other costs associated with the blessing, but wasn't asked this year.

Word slowly leaked out that the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce voted

recently not to organize and sponsor the celebration.

The decision to scale down the blessing has phones ring-

"We're going to have something this year even if it means the boats stay in the harbor and a priest walks around and blesses them..."

*Pass Christian Mayor
Billy McDonald*

ing off the hook at City Hall and at the Chamber headquarters on the beach.

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Commission approves two casino sites

See related story, page 3A
BY ED LEPOMA

For the second time, the state Commission on Environmental Quality has approved water permits for two casinos wanting to locate in the north Bay of St. Louis.

The panel voted 4-2 Thursday in favor of Casino World, which will be developed in Hancock County, and the Circus Circus casino resort proposed off the Kiln-DeLisle exit in Harrison County.

The decision handed down

by the CEQ at its regular monthly meeting in Jackson came on the heels of a full-scale evidentiary hearing, which the agency conducted for two days last April to hear objections to both projects raised by citizen-groups and environmentalists.

The vote Thursday produced a 4-2 split, with Commissioners Henry Laird of Gulfport and Gayle Singley of Pass Christian voting against both projects. Commission Chairman Alvis Hint of Jackson was absent and did not

cast a vote. Vice-Chairman Henry Weiss of Columbus and Commissioners Tom Goldman of Meridian, Dick Flowers of Tunica and Bob Hutson of Brandon voted to uphold the

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Legion Memorial Day services

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS

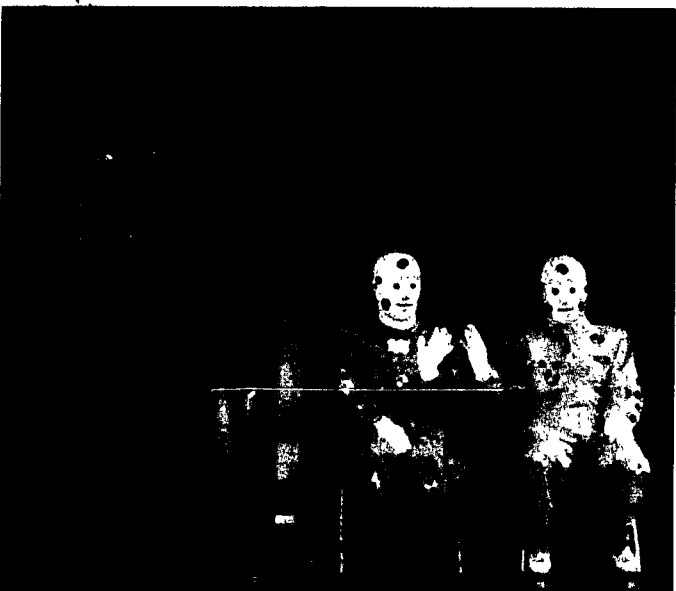
The Bay St. Louis and Waveland American Legion Posts and Auxiliary Units have scheduled special services for Monday to mark Memorial Day.

The Clement R. Bontemps American Legion Post No. 139 of Bay St. Louis will begin with a service at the gravesite of Clement R. Bontemps at 10 a.m., John Wilkerson, Americanism chairman said.

This will be followed with a Post Everlasting service at the post's flag monument at about 11 a.m.

The Waveland Bourgeois-

SERVICES—PAGE 12A



Crash dummies

Bay officers Corporal Ernest Taylor and Lt. Don Ocho appeared before students at Bay Middle School Thursday with two crash dummies to stress the importance of wearing seat belts. The children were delighted by the antics of the dummies while listening to safety information. (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)

Officials prepare for busy weekend

BY BETSY GAGNET

Memorial Day weekend is traditionally the kickoff of the "season" on the Coast as weekenders start to open up their homes for the summer and more people pour onto the beaches to soak up the rays.

Holiday weekends especially draw larger numbers of people into the area and local law enforcement will be out in force trying to keep everyone safe.

Hancock County Sheriff Ronnie Peterson said he normally increases patrols and has extra officers out during the busy holiday weekend. Generally, with more parties there is the potential for more people to be drinking and driving which could lead to more traffic and DUI offenses, Peterson added.

In general, the summer is a

busier time for police with an increase in domestic disputes, traffic offenses and need for assistance calls, according to local enforcement officials.

"This is the beginning of the summer, and summer is the busy time of the year," Peterson said. "We want everybody to be safe and happy and have a good holiday."

Bay St. Louis Police Chief Frank McNeil said his officers will be doing some extra patrolling as well over the holiday weekend.

Additionally, Bay police will have enforcement road blocks up over Memorial Day weekend in connection with "Operation ABC: Mobilizing America to Buckle Up Children." Assistant Police Chief Dave Stepro

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Hancock student tops in state

BY RICHARD MEEK

He has beat the best in the state, now Hancock High senior Leroy Lee turns his sights to the rest of the country.

With the eye of an artist and the delicacy of a surgeon's touch, Lee was honored as the state's best in the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America's state competition in sheet metal work. He will travel to Kansas City, Mo., next month to compete in the national competition.

"It was exciting to win," said Lee, who had finished second the last two years in the state

contest. "I wanted to go to Kansas City."

"I'm a little bit nervous, because I'll be competing against people from every other state," he added. "But I believe I can win."

At the state competition, Lee and the other competitors were given little more than three drawings of a 90-degree elbow, a cylinder-T and a square. They then had six hours to complete the work.

Lee finished first, completing the tasks in under five hours.

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Leroy Lee (left) prepares for his national competition with instructor Reggie Ladner. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

OBITUARIES

LAWRENCE ADAMS JR.
Lawrence Adams Jr., 79, of
Dorcy, died Thursday, May 22,
1997, in Dorcy.

Mr. Adams was a retired
owner of an upholstery and
business in New Orleans and an
Army World War II and Korean
War veteran. He was a
Catholic.

Survivors include his wife,
Mrs. Frances E. Adams of Dorcy;
two sons, Larry J. Adams Jr. of
Louisiana and Raymond J.
Adams of Metairie, La.; a
daughter, Judy Adams Murphy
of Mobile; two stepsons, Raleigh
A. Adams Jr. of New Orleans and
Robert E. Adams of Dorcy; three
stepdaughters, Rakia C. Jones
of Bay St. Louis, Frances C.
Anglen of New Orleans and
Barbara E. Hall of Sandford,
Fla.; and many grandchildren
and great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted
Tuesday at White Funeral
Home Chapel. Burial was in
Forrest Lawn Cemetery in
Poplarville.

INFANT BROOKE BRIDGES
Infant Brooke Elizabeth
Bridges, 18 days, of Hattiesburg,
died May 20, 1997, in
Hattiesburg.

Survivors include her
parents, Tiffany and John Bridges;
a sister, Raleigh Bridges, all of
Hattiesburg; maternal grand-
parents, Wayne and Debra
Guidry of Poplarville; and
paternal grandparents, John and
Linda Bridges of Bay St. Louis.

A graveside service was
conducted Thursday in Forrest
Lawn Cemetery.

White Funeral Home in
Poplarville was in charge of
arrangements.

PERCY GAUDIN
Percy J. Gaudin, 74, of Kila,
died Wednesday, May 21, 1997,
in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Gaudin was a native of
Luling, La., and a member of
Annunciation Catholic Church
in Kila and Parish of the
Sons of St. Louis Chapter No.
129. He was a decorated Air
Force veteran of World War II
and a former P.O.W.

He was preceded in death by
his parents, Constant M. and
Valentine Hotard Gaudin; and
two brothers, Norman Gaudin
and Warren Gaudin.

Survivors include his wife,
Dorothy R. Gaudin of Kila; two
sons, Michael W. "Mickey" Gaudin
of Bay St. Louis and Rocklin
M. "Rocky" Gaudin of Kila; a
daughter, Cheryl Anne Gaudin
Bell of Kila; four grandchildren
and a great-grandchild.

Services were conducted
Saturday at Edmond Fahy Fun-
eral Home in Bay St. Louis.
Burial was in Bayou Coco
Cemetery in Kila.

MELODY D. HAYDEL
Ms. Melody Dominique Hay-
del, 34, of Bay St. Louis, died
Wednesday, May 21, 1997, in
Bay St. Louis.

Survivors include her husband,
Master Rob (Roach) Robert
McLain Jr. With all that life has
thrown your way you somehow
always turned it around for the
better. Words will never say
enough about how excited and
proud we are of you and your
accomplishments.

I love you for all that you are
now and forever.
Congratulations, Graduate.
We love you,
Mom, Jim, Busy
and Mandy

LENA ANNE MURPHY
Lena Anne Murphy, 22, died
Wednesday, May 14, 1997, in
Memphis.

She was a resident of Bay St.
Louis for the past seven years,
was a native of Kansas, La., and
a nurse's aide.

Survivors include her father,
Wayne Murphy, her mother,
Lena Mae Murphy, a daughter,
Lisa Kay Murphy, a sister,
Wendy West, a brother,
Larry Lee West, and her paternal
grandfather, George Murphy
of Kansas.

Services were conducted
Tuesday at Jacob Schenck and Son
Funeral Home in New Orleans.
Burial was in St. Roch Cemetery
No. 2.

EDWARD L. NEWMAN
Edward L. Newman, 60, of
Kila, died Friday, May 22, 1997,
in Kila.

Mr. Newman was a retired
conductor. He was a native of
Oklahoma City, Okla.; a member
of the Shiloh Baptist Church in
Kila; a Navy veteran of World
War II and a member of Iron-
workers Union Local 56 in New
Orleans.

He was preceded in death by
his son, James Robert Oglesby.
He is survived by his wife,
Ruth Newman of Kila; one
granddaughter, and one great-
grandson.

Visitation will be at 10 a.m.
Monday at Shiloh Baptist Church
in Kila. A funeral service will
be held at 11 a.m. at the church.

A graveside service is sched-
uled for 2 p.m. Monday at
Shiloh Baptist Church in Kila.
Burial will be in the church
cemetery.

EDNA YARBOROUGH
Edna McKay Yarbrough,
84, of Bay St. Louis, died
Wednesday, May 21, 1997, in
Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Yarbrough was a mem-
ber of Christ Episcopal Church
in Bay St. Louis and a resident
of Waveland for over 50 years.
She was retired from the Wav-
eland Police Department.

Survivors include her husband,
Mr. Yarbrough; two sons, Mr.
and Mrs. Yarbrough; two daugh-
ters, Mrs. Yarbrough and Mrs.
Yarbrough; and many grand-
children and great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted
Saturday at Edmond Fahy Fun-
eral Home in Bay St. Louis.
Burial was in Bayou Coco
Cemetery in Kila.

JERRY J. SCHULTZ JR.
Jerry J. Schultz Jr., 78, of
Diamondhead, died Wednesday,
May 21, 1997, in Houston.

Mr. Schultz was a native of
New Orleans; a graduate of
Holy Cross High School in New
Orleans; served in the Army
during World War II and was a
recipient of the Purple Heart;
was retired as a property and
fiscal officer for the Louisiana
National Guard and a member
of Annunciation Catholic

Church in Kila.

He was preceded in death by
his parents, John and Mary
Schultz; and his wife, Mrs.
Schultz.

Survivors include his wife,
Mrs. Schultz; two sons, Mr.
and Mrs. Schultz; two daugh-
ters, Mrs. Schultz and Mrs.
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children and great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted
Saturday at Edmond Fahy Fun-
eral Home in Bay St. Louis.
Burial was in Bayou Coco
Cemetery in Kila.

Card of Thanks
The family of Cecil Wil-
son wishes to express their
deepest appreciation to family
and friends for all their love,
prayers and support during Cecil's
illness and his recent death.

Special thanks to Dr. Bert
Chevin, Dr. J. D. Rutherford
and to Hancock Medical Center's
Lab personnel.

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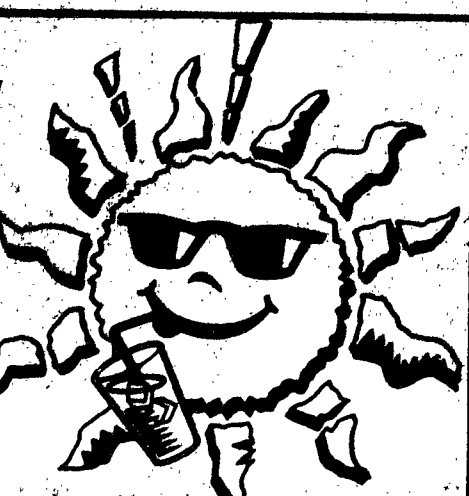
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Survivors include a
daughter, Shirley E. Muller, two
sons, Charles A. Yarbrough Jr.
and Gary M. Yarbrough, all of
Bay St. Louis, a grand-
daughter and a great-
grandchild.

A private service was
conducted with burial in Christ
Episcopal Church Burial Garden.

The family prefers mem-
orial to the Waveland Police
Department.

Funeral Home in
Bay St. Louis was in charge of
arrangements.

In Memoriam

**In Loving Memory
of
MARGARET ADAMS
died May 25, 1997**

Should you go first and I remain
to walk the road alone,
I'll be in heaven's garden,
dear, with happy days we've
known.

In spring I'll wait for you and
when fall comes I'll wait for you,
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DEQ hearings provide clear image of Casino World plans

BY ED LEPOMA
Regulations laid down by the State Department of Environmental Quality last January and refined at last week's meeting give a picture of the scope of the Casino World project, and the extent to which the development will be monitored.

The CEQ Thursday reaffirmed its decision to grant water permits to Casino World planned off the south Diamondhead exit of Interstate 10 in Hancock County and the Circus Circus casino resort complex proposed a few miles east off the Kiln-DeLisle exit in Harrison County.

The initial report reveals that gambling will be conducted aboard two, 600-foot-long and 110-foot wide barges, moored

together and docked at a covered entranceway. The entranceway and related bridge will require driving 16 pilings. The gazebo, entranceway and casino barges will cover 4.29 acres of water bottom.

A four-lane road will be constructed from Yacht Club Drive at the Diamondhead exit, running two miles. The access road will include 19 bridges spanning 4.74 acres over non-tidal wetlands, one bridge spanning 0.40 acres over tidal wetlands (marsh) and 0.42 acres over open water.

The DEQ dictated there will be "no dredging or filling of waters of the United States, including wetlands."

The order further states,

"Vegetation at non-tidal wetland bridge crossings will be hand-cut, without disturbing the ground surface, and bridges will be constructed on concrete pilings, driven from the top of completed bridge sections. Vegetation at the marsh bridge crossing will not be removed."

Concurrent with project construction a "conservation covenant" will be placed on all jurisdictional wetlands within the site, and it will remain in effect for the life of the project, according to the ruling.

The covenant prohibits agricultural, logging, commercial or industrial activities on the wetlands site; no buildings or other structures on the site; no construction of new roads. Wildlife observation platforms will be

allowed.

It also dictates, "There shall be no removal, destruction, cutting, mowing, alteration or spraying with biocides of any living vegetation, nor any disturbance or change in the natural habitat in a manner other than minor hand-clearing for aesthetic purposes."

Stormwater management plans and specifications must include a maintenance schedule for sweeping and vacuuming parking lot services, and the plan must be submitted to DEQ's Office of Pollution Control before construction begins.

A golf course management plan must also be submitted and approved by the same office before construction can proceed.

Stipulations attached to the golf course are: there must be no surface discharge from the golf course directly into the Bay of St. Louis; stormwater runoff shall be directed to manmade interior ponds/water hazards; and only pesticides which have a low pesticide leaching potential can be used on the course.

The order also provides there must be "pre- and post-construction water quality and biological monitoring in the vicinity of the casino in the Bay, and monitoring of bridge-shading effects before construction begins."

"Wastewater generated by the casino complex shall be treated by the Diamondhead Water and Sewer District," according to the order.

It further states, "The Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission has proposed to assist the Hancock County Wastewater District No 1 in providing wastewater collection for unserved areas in the county."

A final implementation plan for extending sewerage lines must be submitted to DEQ "no later than 90 days" after the project gets the go-ahead from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Stennis receives NASA contract

NASA recently selected 14 additional research proposals for negotiation of Phase II contract awards for NASA's Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program.

The John C. Stennis Space Center (SSC) has received one of these awards and will negotiate a Phase II contract with Ciencia Inc., of East Hartford, Conn., to develop a ground truth phytoplankton sensor.

The sensor will measure the amount of light energy that is captured by phytoplankton pigments but not used in photosyn-

thesis. This gives scientists an idea of the photosynthetic "horsepower," or capacity, of the phytoplankton. When combined with satellite data, this will allow predictions of photosynthetic capacity for large areas of the ocean. Such predictions can then be used to monitor the effects of global climate change on the world's oceans, as well as evaluate productivity in offshore fisheries and the environmental quality of waters threatened by pollution.

The selected projects, which have a value of approximately \$8.4 million, will be conducted

by 13 small, high-technology firms located in nine states. These additional selections are made possible by a strategic change in the FY 1997 SBIR program funding plan.

SBIR goals are to stimulate technological innovation, increase the use of small business, including women-owned and disadvantaged firms, in meeting federal research and development needs, and increase private sector commercialization of results of federally funded research.

A total of 277 proposals were submitted by SBIR contractors completing Phase I projects that were initiated in 1995. These additional projects have all met SBIR Phase I objectives and been determined as feasible research innovations for meeting Agency needs. Selections were taken from the original recommendation list.

Phase II continues development of the most promising Phase I project. Selection criteria include technical merit and innovation, Phase I results, value to NASA, commercial potential and company capabilities. Funding for Phase II contracts may be up to \$600,000 for a two-year performance period.

Additional information about the SBIR Program is available on the Internet at <http://sbir.hq.nasa.gov/SBIR.htm>.

Four-day summer schedule planned for PRCC

Students attending Pearl River Community College this summer will enjoy two months of three-day weekends.

Dr. Wes Estey, dean of academics, said the new PRCC summer schedule includes classes Monday through Thursday.

Registration for first and second term day classes is set for Monday, May 19 at 5 p.m. in the White Coliseum on the Poplarville campus. Night classes start Tuesday, June 3 and end with final exams June 30.

Students may also register for second term day classes Wednesday, June 4 through Thursday, June 26 at the Counseling/Career Center in Crosby Hall. Second term classes begin Tuesday, July 1 and end with final exams Tuesday, July 29.

Registration for Poplarville, Columbia, Picayune and Bay St. Louis night classes will also be held Monday, May 19 at 5 p.m. in the White Coliseum on the Poplarville campus. Night classes begin Wednesday, May 21 with final exams July 30 through Aug. 5.

Night class registration for the Hattiesburg campus will be Tuesday, May 20 at 4 p.m. in the multi-purpose room on the Forrest County campus.

Poplarville night classes include art appreciation, art for elementary teachers, anatomy and physiology I and II, A&P I and II lab, computer concepts, English composition I and II, world literature I and II, nutri-

tion, step aerobics, college algebra, real number system, American national government, introduction to sociology and oral communication.

Night classes offered in Picayune include English Composition I and II, introduction to algebra, college algebra, music appreciation, general psychology and introduction to sociology.

The Columbia night class schedule includes English composition I and II, world literature I, world civilization I and II, college algebra, general psychology and oral communication.

Classes offered at night in Bay St. Louis include college algebra, general psychology and introduction to sociology.

For academic summer day classes, call the Academic Counselor Office at (601) 795-1238 or (601) 795-1239.

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QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

We received several calls of concern about the condition of Evelyn McNeil this past week.

Evelyn, the former co-chair of the National Republican Committee, is a resident of Diamondhead, and well liked and respected by the community.

In a release by her family through the Hattiesburg Methodist Hospital, her family asked that everyone keep her in their thoughts and prayers.

Late Wednesday, I received a telephone call from Congressman Gene Taylor's office in Washington saying, "We are all praying for Evelyn's speedy recovery."

So, as you can see, concerns about McNeil's well being are from across the nation.

We are all praying for her speedy recovery.

The after effects of Monday's rains are still being felt and talked about in Bay St. Louis.

It seems lightning struck just about every large telephone, radio communications and even computer systems in the area in addition to the water damages to businesses, homes and vehicles.

The talk of the town of course is still the 12 inches of rain within the eight hour period Monday.

The weather is always a good subject to write and talk about.

I saw lots of youngsters with smiles on Friday as school ended for the year for them.

They are thinking about all the good fun things they will be trying to do for the next several weeks through summer.

About mid-July there will be a few who begin to run out of things to do and cannot wait until the school bells ring again.

On parents I get mixed emotions, as some are happy the school year has ended, while others hate to see school closed.

Anyway, as motorists we need to be extremely careful as we drive about the community.

Youngsters will be all over the place walking and riding their bicycles and sometimes not really paying attention to traffic.

I hope all youngsters will have a very happy and safe summer.

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OLG-SJA prior to fire

The steeple of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church could be seen for miles across the Mississippi Sound prior to the Nov. 16, 1907 fire. St. Joseph's Academy to the left of the church was also destroyed by the fire, which took most of the Bay St. Louis business district. (Photos courtesy of the Hancock County Historical Society, Charles Gray, president. The Historical Society is collecting copies of old area photos, 467-4090.) The Echo welcomes photos older than 25 years for publication. They will be returned to their owners.

New OLG-SJA after fire

Brick construction was used for the exterior of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church and St. Joseph's Academy to replace the building destroyed by fire.

OLG church still stands today while the SJA girls school was closed, and later the building was taken down. The OLG Community Center now sits on the old school site.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Returning citizen finds many changes in Bay, warns motorists

To the Editor:

Some 20 years ago I had the good fortune of being stationed at what was then NSL Bay St. Louis. I then became a "hard-core transplant."

The Navy took me and my wife, whom I met and fell in love with here, away for about 10 years. After retirement we came back and found our quaint little town had turned into "a place apart."

Oh my, how it had grown! More stores, more houses, more people, and yes, more traffic. It's only logical to know that people and cars will increase in number a lot faster than roads and street can be built to accommodate them. But the one thing that can be done by each and everyone who has the courage to get behind the wheel is to pay attention to what you are doing.

You are moving a 3,000-pound piece of metal that can be deadly if misused. It is not a powder room, so put the

makeup back in the purse and your hand back on the wheel, then use your mirror to check the traffic and not your lipstick.

It is not your office, so get off the blooming phone and get back to driving. It is not a night club, so don't even open the beer, and oh yeah, please turn down the stereo so you can still hear when you're 30 something.

It is not a toy either, so when the streets are flooded, slow down and save the residence thousands of dollars in damages caused from the wake crashing through the front door.

Consideration for others is diminishing as fast as glass ketchup bottles. If you are a considerate and safe driver, your own frustration level drops like a lead balloon.

Smiles always feel better than frowns or single digit hand siglas, and remember, the life you save may be your own.

A proud resident of Bay St. Louis, Walter A. Beck

FROM THE SENATE

By Senator Trent Lott

BHS coral director found principal very supportive

Dear Editor:

In response to the letter recently printed by the Sea Coast Echo concerning the Bay High choruses and principal, Mrs. Sandra Reed:

I find the letter to be a valid opinion from a parent's point of view, however, I do not feel that Mrs. Reed be attacked in such a way as to destroy all of the hard work which has been done to promote our programs positively.

True, our choruses have indeed worked very hard over the course of the last four years and deserve much recognition.

We must realize that in the larger picture, we must all work together to strive for a harmonious relationship between everyone.

As choral director at Bay High School for four years, I have found Mrs. Reed to be very supportive of the chorus and our endeavors to succeed. Please let it be known that our

professional relationship had little to do with my decision to resign from my current teaching assignment.

In closing, I would like to thank everyone who supported our efforts to have a good vocal music program. Even though I am moving on, I feel it must be stated that I expect our students and parents to carry on with what I have started and that being negative is not the way to accomplish any goal.

As far as I'm concerned, Mrs. Reed has had to make some very unpopular decisions and has tried to do right by everyone. I would hope that members of the chorus will work together to end this ridiculous situation and that making music will continue to be their primary objective.

Respectfully,
Mrs. Carol Ann Cline
Choral Director
Bay High School

The Family Friendly Workplace Act

With Mother's Day having just passed and Father's Day around the corner, I cannot think of a better gift for working parents than the ability to spend more time with their children without damaging their career opportunities.

The Family Friendly Workplace Act is aimed at doing just that. This bill would give working parents the freedom they need to make choices that are best for their families.

With more and more Americans working longer hours, the time parents have to spend with their children has been diminished dramatically. This is particularly true for one-parent families and those where both parents must work to make ends meet. In fact, a recent study shows that since 1965, the amount of time parents spend with their children has dropped 40 percent.

Coupled with a 1993 study which showed that 66 percent of parents want more time with their children, it is easy to see the dilemma facing America's working families.

The Family Friendly Workplace Act would give hourly workers more flexibility in their work schedules, allowing them to choose whether to take pay for their overtime hours or time off. I think, this "flextime" proposal is one which will be embraced by the American worker as an answer to some of the problems of modern life.

Single mothers and two-paycheck families are feeling the stress of trying to make a good living and, at the same time, be good parents. Ultimately, they need more free time to spend with their families.

The way the flextime proposal would work is that it would allow hourly workers to decide how they wish to be compensated for working overtime. It would also allow employees to work 80 hours over two weeks in flexible combinations, and save up to 50 hours of overtime in a "bank" for use at a later date. For example, if the worker deems it to be more important to take overtime pay, they may do so.

However, say that worker needed an afternoon off to attend their child's school play, he or she could choose to be "paid" for overtime with a few hours off work. Surveys on the subject show that most Americans

would like to have this option. A Money Magazine survey earlier this year showed that 64 percent of the public and 68 percent of women would prefer time off to overtime pay.

The Family Friendly Workplace Act represents less government intrusion into the workplace and people's lives. As it stand now, government regulations restrict employers from offering flextime options to their employees. This bill would allow employers and employees to work together to decide what is best for them.

The one-size-fits-all laws currently in place were enacted in 1930s, when just 16 percent of women with children were part of the workforce. Now, more than 70 percent of mothers work outside the home. Clearly, those 60-year-old regulations are not in step with today's realities and a change is long overdue.

Some fear this legislation would allow companies to coerce their employees into taking time off instead of overtime pay, but The Family Friendly Workplace Act protects against such abuse by doubling the current penalty for such coercion.

Many private sector companies across the nation already offer flextime options as a means of recruiting the best and brightest employees, and flexible work schedules have been available to federal workers since 1978. Certainly the rest of society should enjoy the benefits experienced by federal employees.

The Family Friendly Workplace Act will offer parents time with their children and peace of mind at work. In the long run, that is much more valuable than money.

Senator Lott welcomes any questions and/or comments about this column. Please write to: Senator Trent Lott, 487 Russell Building, Washington, D.C. 20510 (Attention: Press Office).

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Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are considered inappropriate for the Letters to the Editor columns. —Ellis Cuevas, publisher.

ON LIFE

By Father Jerome
LeDoux, SVD

Going the Million Man March one better, the Philadelphia gathering of the President's Summit for America's Future called loudly for "Two Million by 2000" as their goal of helping 2 million at-risk children.

The summit leaders hope to spark enough interest and resolve among the adult citizens in our U.S. communities that, within three years, at least 2

million mentors will step forward to match one at-risk child on one.

Further, their hope is that all our communities will provide our children with safe schools and streets, health care, and a sound education fueling a hunger for community service.

Redefining citizenship is what President Clinton calls the overall goal of the summit: "It means paying taxes, work-

Symbolism or substance?

ing hard, studying hard, obeying the law and oh, yes, you've got to serve your community."

Perhaps "redefining" sounds a bit pretentious, but the thrust of the idea is good. John Kennedy wrapped up the same idea with different words: "Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country."

"We're still losing too many

kids to crime, to drugs, to not having a decent income in their home and to not having a bright future," President Clinton went on to say.

"We're here because we don't think we have to put up with it and we believe together we can change it."

Former Presidents Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter and George Bush joined Bill Clinton, federal officials, 30 governors, 100 mayors, many corporate executives, religious leaders and representatives of nonprofit organizations at the summit.

Retired General Colin Powell lent his considerable clout to the summit by consenting to be general chairman of the enterprise and by leading the charge of assorted volunteers: "It's good to have an army again. I love it!"

Focusing on what they were about, an awards program started by President Ronald Reagan honored Pat Esparza's dance group from El Paso, and the Target stores which encourage employees and their families to volunteer in their communities.

"Apolitical? Nonpartisan? Not on your life!" boomed Rush Limbaugh. "The goal is securing the legacy of one man. This is just typical liberals placing symbolism above substance."

At the opposite end of the spectrum, some social activists were angry, labeling the community volunteer summit a stunt to distract us from the government's butchering of welfare.

Political posturing and the perennial drive to score brownie points may well be ulterior motives. Notwithstanding, the dire plight of numerous youths who are destroying their own lives and killing others must be addressed immediately.

Volunteerism is nothing new, of course, but in the political realm, it was the challenge of President John Kennedy who also started the Peace Corps. President George Bush left us with the "Thousand Points of Light."

It is safe to say volunteerism is an old, time-honored idea whose time has come to explode on the national scene. Not that it is not already here. It must unquestionably be intensified many times over all around this country.

No one, not even the most insulated American, can afford to look upon at-risk children as someone else's problem.

EVERYDAY LIVING

By Traci M.
Wimmer-Smith

The words every parent fears. Have you noticed the increasing reports in the local and national news regarding children and abduction? If you listen to the news with any regularity I'm sure you have. As parents all of us fear for the safety of our children.

But do we really understand what is going on? Do you know what ages are at most risk? Have you taught your child about his/her safety? How do you teach children about the terrible truths out there in our world without scaring them?

I struggled with this, but I am much more comfortable today than I was 10 years ago. I have found some wonderful resources for us as parents to help our children with this concern. I want to warn you that this may not be an article for children of any age to read alone.

First the facts: the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children report the following. Annually there are as many as 114,600 attempted abductions of children by non-family members; 300 abductions by non-family members where the children were gone for long periods of time or were murdered; 4,600 abductions by non-family members reported to police; 345,000 children abducted by family members. (May 1990).

Through June 1996 NCMEC has played a role in the recovery of more than 32,000 children, working more than 49,000 cases involving missing and exploited children.

Okay, now that I've really scared you, let's look at the bigger picture. I think we all are responsible for all the children. As adults we have a responsibility to all children for their welfare. Whether it's looking out for their physical need, reporting abuse/neglect, safety concerns, or providing adequate education, the needs of children have to be provided by adults.

Children by nature simply cannot provide for themselves. Every adult has the responsibility to look out for children, insuring their needs are met and insuring their safety as well. A strong advocate for children whenever the mention of a child's safety comes up, I pay attention.

If you have paid attention to the recent reports you may have noticed the age of the abduction cases that have made the news lately. The majority of the cases are of children between the ages of 6 to 14 years. The old myth of a 2-year-old abducted is just that, most cases have to do with children who are 4-14 years old. This is the time when most adults, parents start to feel at

ease with the freedom of a child. Ironically, you should be more concerned with this age range.

Yes, there are cases, even locally, that involve newborns or younger children, but I am calling your attention to the majority of the cases. Up to the age of 6 most children are well looked after, it's when they get to 6 or so they are given the freedom to walk to a close neighbor's home or play in the front yard for a short period of time.

At a time when parents are of the mentality they can give a bit of freedom to their child they need to be aware of the increasing danger of this age range. Good news, there is a lot of help out there for all of us.

Child protection is a growing field, and there are some excellent suggestions and resources for parents.

First of all, there is the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. They are not just a resource when a child is missing, they are an advocate for preventing child abduction.

Contact them. They will send you information and literature to inform and educate your family on this frightening topic.

Their toll free telephone line is 1-800-THE-LOST (1-800-843-5678), 2101 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 550 Arlington, VA 22201-3052.

A wonderful book is *Missing! Stranger Abduction*, teaching your child how to escape, by Robert Stuber. An informative and direct resource on how to teach your child escape and recovery techniques.

There are all kinds of books out there to teach your children personal safety and awareness. This is really the area where we as parents need to start. Then there are various hotline numbers, where anyone concerned about the behaviors or actions of an adult can call to inquire as to the past criminal record of individuals for a nominal fee.

These hotlines are trying to prevent reoccurring instances and inform the public about citizens with criminal and child molestation records. There are numerous programs available to teach children personal safety, designed to teach them in schools or in group situations.

These can be very effective, and when taught by professionals they are done in a way that does not scare children, in fact the children walk away feeling more confident and informed.

Now we need to take the problem and work on it. Do you or have you spoken with your children about the "Stranger Danger?" It really doesn't work. In my experience living all over

the United States, I have yet to see a friendlier atmosphere than the southern hospitality.

This is very confusing to a child who has been taught "Stranger Danger." We teach them not to talk to strangers, then when they are with us in the grocery store and someone comments on how cute, polite, helpful or well behaved she or he is, the child resorts to ignoring the person because they have been taught "Stranger Danger."

We need to modify our definitions to children. The term stranger suggests a concept the children do not understand and is one that ignores what we do know about the people who commit crimes against children.

Instead, it is more appropriate to teach our children to be on the lookout for certain kinds of situations or actions rather than certain kinds of individuals. Children can be raised to be polite and friendly, but it is okay for them to be suspicious of any adult asking for assistance. Often exploiters or abductors initiate a seemingly innocent contact with the victim. They may try to get to know the children and befriend them.

Talk to your children in a calm and reasonable manner, being careful not to discuss the frightening details of what might happen to a child who does not follow the safety guidelines. Get to know the adults in your child's life. Talk to them about their day, if they mention someone you are not familiar with, ask questions and be cautious.

As I said often, these exploiters get to know the child first, and with an open line of communication between you and your child you're more likely to hear about the person at the ball field who is helping them with this or that. Investigate carefully these adults, don't assume that every new or previously unknown adult is a threat to your child.

I want to mention some basic rules. From birth teach your child to correct names for all body parts. This is so they can accurately relay information to anyone if someone is hurting them in any way.

Listen to children. From the moment they can make sounds we need to show them we care about what they have to say, this will increase the likelihood of a child telling you if someone is doing something they are not comfortable with. Define and discuss safety rules for your

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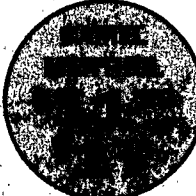
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The heavyweight main event features two promising young heavyweights, both coming off their career-best wins. John

Ruiz, known as the "Quiet Man" won the NABF heavyweight title on Jan. 14 in Kansas City with a hard-fought 12-round split decision win against James Thunder (32-5, 25 KOs) that had the crowd in the sold-out arena on their feet. The win was Ruiz' fifth in a row and skyrocketed him in the world ratings to WBA No. 8, WBC No. 9.

On March 16 in Asbury Park,

N.J., Ray Anis gave a very strong performance and TKO'd prospect Bobby Harris (18-1, 12 KOs) in the 10th round. The early rounds were very close and exciting. Anis rallied and had Harris out on his feet when the referee waved the fight over.

NABF jr. middleweight champion Steve Martinez is also coming off his career-best win. On March 4 in Las Vegas he won the title with a 12-round unanimous decision against tough former NABF super middleweight champion Warren Williams (13-7-1, 5 KOs). The win boosted Martinez to No. 16 in the WBC's world ratings.

Ron Weaver is one of New Orleans' rising young stars, and is getting his shot at the "big time." He has now won six in a row, and a win against Martinez on national television could earn him a top-ten rating and a shot at the world title.

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Bay Area Youth Soccer accepting nominations

The governing board of Bay Area Youth Soccer has announced it will begin accepting nominations for seats being vacated in its upcoming July elections.

Nominations may be made by any active member of BAYS/DSFC through submission of a petition to the Nominations Committee.

All petitions require the signature of five active members in addition to the signature of the proposed candidate for office as well as which office is being sought.

Members of the Nominations Committee include Lori Lewis, Bill Lingsch and Barbara Brodtmann. The deadline for submitting petitions of nomination to one of these members is June 1.

Positions to be filled include vice-president, registrar and five commissioner slots, one of which will be a one-year slot vacated early by a present member.

This position will be filled by appointment by the board from the available nominees for that particular slot.

The rest of the positions are

two-year delegates. Anyone having questions regarding these procedures should contact either a member of the Nominations Committee or Board President Andy Kivlan.

Pass Golf results

Pass Christian Isles Ladies Golf Association announces May 6 low net results:

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Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
J. D. Hall, Jr., et al., Plaintiffs
v.
L. E. Morrison, et al., Defendants
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
CASE NO. 97-0388
(Service by Publication: Residence Unknown)

TO: L. E. Morrison and Carolyn Morrison, if alive, whose last known address is unknown, and whose present address, both post office and street address, is unknown after diligent search and inquiry; and if dead the unknown heirs at law of L. E. Morrison and Carolyn Morrison, whose post office and street addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry; any and all other persons having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in the hereinafter described land and property, whose street addresses and post office addresses are unknown to Complainants after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made defendants in the suit filed in this Court by J. D. Hall, Jr. and Robin Hall, Complainants, whose address is c/o 808 Highway 90 East, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 alleging legal ownership to the following described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title:

Lot 48, 47, 46, Block 518, Springwood Park Subdivision, Addition 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written answer either admitting or denying said allegation in the Complaint to David M. Necaise, Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is P. O. Box 2036, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521.

YOUR ANSWER MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 25th DAY OF MAY, 1997, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGEMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Answer with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 22 day of May, 1997.

(SEAL)
Timothy A. Keller
Clerk of the Court
Angie Lachner
Deputy Clerk
5-25; 6-1; 6-6-97

Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LEOLA EVELYN STOUFFLET, DECEASED
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NO. 970357

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 23rd day of May, 1997, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executor upon the estate of Leola Evelyn Stoufflet, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred.

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5-25; 6-1; 6-6-97

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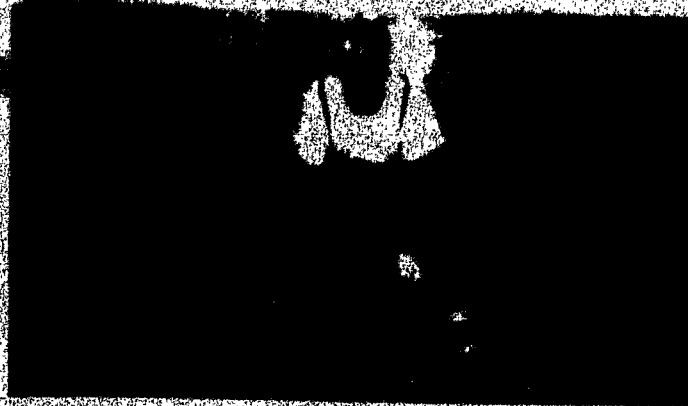
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News from McLeod

McLeod's weather has been cool and the humidity low at McLeod Water Park, and anglers have been landing some mighty big fish out of the Jordan River.

Raymond Spiers and Perry Mitchell of Logtown caught a 30 pound, and several other fishermen had some nice catches.

The park is beginning to fill up, especially on weekends, and I have had many nice folks from all over the United States camping with us, and enjoy meeting all of them.

McLeod Water Park is located on Texas Flat Road, off Hwy. 603 in Kiln, and we have 54 sites with electrical and water hookups.

We also have sites for primitive (tent) camping, two entertainment pavilions for rental, three bathhouses on the premises, as well as port-a-lets stationed at convenient locations throughout the park.

The park has picnic areas, a grill, and there is a basketball court and a baseball field.

We have water and paddle boat rentals by the day or hour, and a boat launch.

Just recently, the park rules have been relaxed to allow more people to come, but as of now, only three or four wheelers are allowed in the park.

We invite everyone to come out for camping, fishing, swimming, picnicking or just to spend a day relaxing at McLeod Park. It's a wonderful natural resource, and it's in your own back yard.

For campsites, we do recommend making reservations seven days in advance because we fill up fast. The number to call is 601/467-1884.

You'll hear more about the activities at the park and the people who visit us in coming reports.

(Mr. Lee is Park Ranger/Manager of McLeod Water Park)

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Power lifter qualifies

SSC water Marc Mortimer qualified to attend the 1997 AAU Jr. Olympics in Charlotte, N.C., by lifting a total of 1,200 pounds. The Jr. Olympics will be held in August. Mortimer is the district champion. He placed fourth in the Southstate and eighth place in the State Championship competition. Mortimer is the first person from SSC to make power lifting championships. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mortimer of Pass Christian.

Hancock baseball banquet

The Hancock High School baseball banquet was held Wednesday, May 21 at McLeod Park.

Receiving awards for the high school team were Billy Wilson, Offensive Player of the Year; Michael Ball, Pitching Award and Most Valuable Player; Chad Peterson, Defensive Player of the Year; and Byron Mitchell, Hawk Award.

Several other players were recognized for setting or tying school records throughout the season. Ball tied a school record with three home runs and set a school record with 26 RBIs. Wil-

son established a new season batting average mark of .446; and Darryl Williams tied a school record with 27 stolen bases.

The Hancock Junior High players were also recognized for their participation. Players receiving second year awards were Chris Goff, Matt Ladner, Ben Lopez, Eric Underwood, Erron Underwood, Grady Willis and Andrew Zivic. First year awards were given to Jerry Cook, Chase Cuevas, Ryan Hofspaur, Brent Ladner, Donny Moran, James Moran, Louis Nunez and Chase Sackett.

State

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"The squares was one of the first things I learned," said Lee, who has been a student in the Hancock Vo-Tech program for three years.

"I had to learn the cylinder," he added.

But Lee's teacher, Reggie Ladner, said his prized pupil's biggest asset is his ability to learn quickly.

"You put him on something, he will figure out a way to do it," said Ladner, who has been directing Hancock's VICA teams since 1986. "He is the best I've ever been around."

Lee said he is not sure what will be required in the national competition. He is preparing by working on his seams, which he admitted has been a problem area in the past.

He admitted in the competition he will not be allowed to be off "even a little bit. (The judges) will make it tough."

"I'm determined to do well," he added. "A lot of people are depending on me."

Ladner, who has had four students finish in second and third places in state, said he expects Lee to bring home a top 10

finish from the national competition.

"It's a challenge, but it shows what a kid from Hancock County can accomplish," he said.

Lee's education through the Vo-Tech program has paved the way for a future career. He has picked up the art of designing and forming sheet metal, and want to attend college to study air-conditioning and refrigeration.

"If all goes well, I will stick to it," he said.

But first, there's a date awaiting him in Kansas City.

Ladner said Lee is in need of money to help finance the trip to the nationals. Anyone wishing to donate should contact Ladner at the Vo-Tech center at 467-3568.



Raymond Spiers and Perry Mitchell of Logtown.

GED classes

GED classes are being offered at Hancock High School Monday and Tuesday, 8:30-11 a.m., and Tuesday and Thursday, 6-9 p.m. For information, call Barbara White at 467-2251.

Missing

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family. Make a list with the rules about visiting over a friends home, playing at the park or outside the home. Keep this list where they can glance at it and remind themselves.

Children need to be told these rules many times. Don't just talk about it once, tell them every month or so, and do it in a non-judgmental way.

Just as you may discuss how to get out of the house if there is a fire, talk to them about safety rules, set it up so they understand you are helping them to be safe. Include the idea that adults should not be asking children for directions or help with anything.

Safety doesn't have a starting age, start as soon as a child can walk and/or talk. This will be for your practice, but before you know it, they will have this ingrained in their thinking. Don't assume because your child is 9 years old they are aware of their own personal safety. If you haven't taught it to them you don't know what they know.

Help children to develop physical strength, either through self defense skills, martial arts or similar disciplines so that they are confident about their ability to use their bodies and minds. I want to suggest to

you do think it all out before you sit down with your child.

Read, contact the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children or a similar agency, talk to the local law enforcement, know what you want to tell your children. Be careful to avoid frightening the child.

Our children are the most precious items in this whole world. Help them to protect and prevent injury to themselves. Help them to be informed yet not afraid of the world. It is a thin line to walk, but God forbid your child come up missing and you have not prepared them with techniques to try to escape or to fend off an attack.

Some situations we just can't be prepared for. Ask your child, I bet they are aware of the "dangers" out there. Give them information and skills to protect themselves.

Take good care of one another.

(Traci M. Wimmer-Smith is a free lance writer living in Diamondhead.)

Weekend

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explained that officers will be distributing literature on buckling up children and air bag safety in addition to checking for violations.

McNeil said he usually has more patrols out on holiday weekends or when something special is going on which may attract more people to the area. Like Peterson, McNeil said the increase in people and parties could lead to more traffic violations including DUI offenses.

McNeil urged people to designate drivers if they intend to be drinking.

"We are asking citizens to cooperate with us to enjoy themselves and have a good time," McNeil said. "If they are drinking, please have a designated driver."

Waveland Police Chief Jimmy Varnell could not be reached for comment.

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BUSINESS NEWS

10A-THE SEA COAST ECHO—SUNDAY, MAY 25, 1997

Should we sell or rent to grown children?

Q. We own several houses in the South Mississippi area and at this point are renting two of them to our grown children. We would like to know whether this is the best arrangement or is it advisable to sell the property to our kids. Since the homes are paid for, we use some of the rental income for spending, some to maintain the houses, and the rest is saved and invested.

If we do sell the houses, is it best to finance the sale or to let our kids find their own financing? They have been good tenants and pay promptly even though they are paying Mom and Dad.

Q. Though your question may appear relatively simple on the surface, it is far from simple. The correct answer for your situation depends on multiple tax-related criteria and other financial factors.

I will give you a list of some major factors. Armed with this information, I suggest that you consult a tax advisor. Ask that person to prepare a comparison based on the tax ramifications of both options. Request the advisor to look at the income tax and an estate tax implications of the alternatives.

* If the houses are sold, "the sale must be an 'arms-length transaction' as though they 'your children' were buying from a complete stranger," said Tom Grzymala, CFP, president of Alexandria Financial Associates and a board member for the National Association of Personal Financial Advisors. Grzymala said, "have an indepen-

dent appraisal done. The selling price must be within reason of the appraised value."

* What are your income needs and how are they met in each situation? Would installment sales be used to generate income from your spending needs? An installment sale spreads out the reporting of profit for income tax purposes. Interest must be charged at least at the "applicable federal rate" if you use an installment sale. In addition, IRS has very strict rules on installment sales between related persons.

* Compare the way the two choices affect income taxes. You may want to do this with your children because both your income tax situation and theirs will be affected.

Rental property owners who actively participate in managing the rental houses can deduct up to \$25,000 in losses against other types of income and use additional losses to offset passive income. Interest, depreciation, property insur-

CONSUMER UPDATE

By Jan Lukens, MBA, CFP
Consumer Money Management Specialist

ance and taxes, and maintenance on the houses are deductible expenses with rental property.

Mortgage interest and depreciation tend to be some of the highest expenses. If you have owned these properties for a long time, have paid off the mortgages, and have a low depreciable basis in the property, your rental expense deduction may no longer be the benefit it once was. Your children can deduct mortgage interest if they buy and finance the houses. They cannot deduct property insurance and maintenance on their residences.

* A drawback to selling is that tax must be paid on the capital gains that have accumulated. If the value of the property has increased significantly, capital gains could be large.

* Since you have been depreciating the rental property for tax purposes, a sale would also mean a recapture of depreciation. This is recognized as or-

dinary income in the year of the sale.

* Grzymala said, "Selling the home will probably facilitate estate planning tools. If assets total \$600,000 or more, the sale would produce cash to gift to children and grandchildren or to better position assets in an AB trust."

* What are the estate liquidity needs? Grzymala points out that real property is not liquid and can cause complications when there are estate liquidity needs.

* A last factor from an estate planning perspective is that the children are likely to inherit their respective houses if they don't buy them. When appreciated assets are inherited, the new owner receives a stepped-up basis in the property.

If you keep the houses, which have already appreciated since you bought them and may continue appreciate until your death, you and your heirs avoid capital gains taxes on that appreciation. If you sell now, you will pay tax on your gain and your children's basis in the property will be dependent upon the selling price, costs and capital improvements attributable to their ownership.

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Be an educated investor

Whom do you consider most trustworthy: your senator, your pharmacist or your stockbroker? The Gallup organization's annual poll on honesty and ethics shows that Americans rank stockbrokers above congressmen, senators and car salesmen when it comes to credibility. That's good news for brokers and their customers. The bad news for them is that 16 other professions ranked higher than stockbrokers.

The securities industry works hard to monitor its members and maintain a positive public image. Still, there are those who believe the industry is inhabited mostly by people and companies who put their own interests ahead of the customer's. With people like Michael Milken and Ivan Boesky making headlines, that kind of negative perception can be expected.

But these few high-profile cases are extreme examples of the bad apple in the bunch.

New shoe store opens at Gulfport Factory Outlet

Nine West Group Inc., a leader in women's footwear, has opened its newest concept store, Banister Shoe Studio at the Gulfport Factory Outlet location.

Banister Shoe Studios are a unique concept to the outlet industry; they offer the consumer a multitude of highly recognizable and desirable brands with the availability, value and choice first and foremost.

This new store will be a premier women's upscale footwear source offering the Nine West Group Inc. portfolio of brands such as Easy Spirit, Candolino, Nine West, Enzo Angiolini, Pappagallo, Evan Picone, 9 & Co., and Calico.

Banister Shoe Studios are designed with ease of shopping in mind; they provide the consumer with a comfortable, shoppable, and entertaining at-

mosphere — all tied together with a message that communicates value. The new Gulfport Factory Shops store is the latest addition to this growing business.

According to Bill Neich, president of the Nine West Group Retail and International Divisions, "Nowhere else can our customers find the 10 brands of Nine West Group at this value. The Banister Shoe Studio concept is completely different from existing Banister stores. The new concept is strictly upscale women's branded footwear with the exclusion of men's and technical athletic footwear."

What can you do to be one of the "very satisfied"? Surveys show that people want the same things from their broker that they desire from other professionals they call upon — plenty of information and regular communication. Those

who get them are usually happier with their service.

The securities industry has responded by stepping up education efforts for brokers and the public. Says John L. Steffens, former Securities Industry Association president, "An educated investor is our best customer." Financial services firms really do want customers to share in investment decisions, and most offer investor-friendly explanations of products to make that involvement easier.

Want to be a satisfied investor? Be an informed investor. Keep an active role in planning with your investment representative. Avoid investing in a product you don't understand. Ask questions, and keep asking them, until you have a good grasp on the information.

When investors work with their investment representatives to make choices in line with their financial goals, communication is improved and confidence gained. Who knows? The next Gallup poll may show stockbrokers gaining on the dentists.

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Grand honored by Clinton for employment programs

Grand Casinos Inc. (NYSE:GND) has announced that President Clinton is recognizing the company for its efforts in hiring and training unemployed and underemployed people.

Last week at the White House, President Clinton announced the launch of a new non-profit organization called the Welfare to Work Partnership. The goals of the partnership are to encourage and support business participation in the recruitment, training and retention of welfare recipients in the workplace.

At the White House event several companies, including Grand Casinos, are being recognized for their efforts and commitment to assisting people on public assistance in gaining employment in the private sector. Tom Brosig, president of Grand Casinos, will represent the company. "I am honored to be invited to the White House, but I am even more honored to be representing the associates of Grand Casinos."

Many of the employment and education programs our company has implemented are

the results of local managers taking the initiative to respond to the needs of the community in which we operate. Grand Casinos' and its tribal partners' commitment to hire and train unemployed and underemployed people is an inherent part of the way we do business and has existed since the day we opened our first casino six years ago," said Brosig.

As a result of the evolution of emerging gaming, Grand Casinos operations are located in areas where unemployment rates and welfare recipient levels were well above national averages prior to the arrival of Grand Casinos.

The company currently employs over 12,500 people at its owned and managed casino resorts in the United States. Some of the employment programs Grand Casinos has implemented include GED and English as a second language classes offered free of charge to all casino employees.

The company also offers complete tuition reimbursement to all employees choosing to participate in higher education.

On an annualized basis

Grand Casinos spends more than half a million dollars on tuition reimbursement and outside education programs. Additionally, the company allocates over \$5.4 million per year on internal training and development initiatives.

Grand Casinos' three casinos in Mississippi participated in the federally created Job Training and Partnership Act program. As a result, more than 900 unemployed or underemployed individuals were hired by Grand Casinos, most of who received full benefits and salaries at or above the average salary of \$22,000 in the state of Mississippi.

Goodwill Industries of South Mississippi and Grand Casino Gulfport forged a partnership dedicated to creating opportunities for physically and mentally disabled individuals. The program provides off-site and on-the-job training to ease participants from a sheltered environment to an integrated workplace.

Grand Casino Gulfport received the Goodwill Employer of the Year Award in 1996 and 1997 for this program.

The Grand Casino Mille Lacs Hotel was named 1996's Employer of the Year by the St. Cloud, Minnesota-based Opportunity Training Center for its exemplary commitment to hire and retain persons with disabilities.

Grand Casino Coushatta has been recognized for having the largest GED program in the state of Louisiana.

Grand Casinos Inc. has been a publicly traded company since 1991 and is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol GND. The company currently owns and operates the three largest casino hotel resorts in the state of Mississippi, manages two land-based casinos in Louisiana, and manages to casino hotel resorts in Minnesota.

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Cellular phone company adds tower near Stennis

Cellular South officials have announced the completion of another new cellular communications tower on the Mississippi Gulf Coast that will provide improved coverage in west Hancock County, the Stennis Space Center and I-10 to the Pearl River.

The site is located on Hwy. 607, one-half mile south of I-10 at the Stennis Space Center exit.

Cellular South's tower, near the Stennis Space Center, will not only improve the clarity of the signal for handheld cellular phone customers, but also increase capacity to handle more call volume in the area.

According to Jim Richmond, area manager, "Cellular South is committed to improving customer service and expanding cellular coverage for our customers on the Mississippi Gulf Coast." Richmond continued, "Call clarity and the ability to make calls are of great importance to our customers and this new call with enhance both." He added, "In 1997, alone, we've opened a new store in Biloxi and

added towers near the Mississippi Gulf Coast Coliseum and in the Fontainebleau community. The new tower in west Hancock County is another example of listening to our customers' needs and providing solutions to meet those needs."

Ashley Hardy, Bay St. Louis market manager, said, "Cellular South constantly strives to improve customer satisfaction. This is just another step in our continued effort to provide our customers with the best service possible."

As the first provider of cellular service in most of its markets, Cellular South has become the largest provider of cellular service in Mississippi.

With the recent introduction of Telapak™ to its family of products, Cellular South now offers a total telecommunications package including residential and long distance telephone service, as well as cellular service. Cellular South provides service to 43 of Mississippi's 82 counties and operates 45 cellular retail locations including nine retail locations on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Johnson named manager of Stennis bank office

Loan officer Sherrell L. Johnson has been named manager of Hancock Bank's Stennis office. Joining the bank in 1982, she previously served in the bank's Bay St. Louis Bay 90 office 15 years before transferring to the Stennis office.

Johnson, a native of Hancock County, is a member of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce serving on the beautification committee, the National Management Association, and Partners For Stennis, an organization that promotes Stennis Space Center made up of business leaders in Hancock and Pearl River counties.

She currently attends the University of Mississippi School of Banking and has attended the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College and completed various American Institute of Banking courses.

Eva Lee Smith served the bank as branch operations officer at Stennis until transfer-



Sherrell L. Johnson

ring in 1996 to the bank's Picayune West Canal office. She joined the bank in 1967 and over the years has worked in almost every job in the Stennis office. A native of the Nacaise Crossing Community, Smith will retire in December after 30 years of banking service.

The Stennis full-service office has three tellers, a customer service representative, and a loan officer available for mortgage, commercial and personal loans. The new Hancock Investment Services is also available at the office location. Appointments for investment advice and trust services can be made by talking with anyone in the Stennis office.



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board meeting on Wednesday. The Port & Harbor Commission adopted a resolution Friday formally asking the supervisors for those funds.

Board attorney Gerald Gex said he knew about the money but had not discussed the matter with the supervisors because Genin's research was not complete until the early part of last week.

"I didn't talk to the supervisors because I didn't know where the money came from," he said. "If the money belongs to the Port & Harbor, I have no problem telling that to the board."

Gex said he had not read the Commission's resolution, but had received a copy from Genin.

In other matters:

— Atlas Powder is going out of ship terminal business. The company, located at Port Bienville and owned by a British company, is closing Star Export at the port.

Captain David Humphries, owner of Linea Peninsula, has formed a separate corporation called Port Bienville Terminal Inc., and will take over Star's terminal lease, which is nego-

tiated with the Port and Harbor Commission. Humphries is currently negotiating with Star officials for the purchase of cranes and other equipment.

The terminal lease expires in November of 1998. Star has held the lease since 1987.

— The Commission awarded a \$136,000 bid to Krol Electric for construction of a new lighting system and automated weather station at Stennis International Airport. The bid is contingent on the Commission receiving a state grant that would fund the majority of the two projects.

The grant would pay for 75 percent, the P&H would pay for the rest.

"We will be a national weather system (with the new station)," P&H Deputy Director Bill Stovall said. "If not, only local people can dial it up."

— The state bid process continues to slow construction of the giant Wellman plastics plant. The Commission had advertised for bids for the siding of several of Wellman's buildings.

Three bids were received, with the lowest bid coming from

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a Pennsylvania firm for \$1.145 million. GM&R Construction of Waveland was the second low bid at \$1.8 million.

State bid laws mandates the contract be awarded to the lowest bidder meeting specifications. However, the Pennsylvania firm's state Certificate of Responsibility number had expired in July of 1994, nullifying its bid.

Rather than automatically accept the second low bid, the P&H, at Wellman's request, decided to reject all bids and re-advertise, hoping to receive a lower bid.

"Because of the considerable difference between the first and second bid, (Wellman officials) asked if we could exercise our option to reject all bids, re-advertise, and get more bids in," said Jerry Hemphill, the liaison between the P&H and Wellman.

"If it was my money, I would do the same thing," said Genin, who added the bidding process on the Wellman project has presented scenarios he had never seen in his previous 25 years as P&H attorney.

Fleet

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Some are blaming the city for the decision. Others don't know who to blame.

"Don't give the chamber or the city a bad rap over this," said McDonald.

He said he understood the decision was based on the fact that participation in the blessing last year was disappointing, and it did not draw expected crowds. He said he was told that chamber members felt there were more pleasure crafts involved in the ceremony in recent years than actual fishing vessels.

"It's just that they (the Chamber) felt there was not enough interest this year," said McDonald.

Laura Clark, director of the local chamber, said she was puzzled by the decision to eliminate or scale back the annual

blessing.

She said she heard the decision was based partly on a survey "made in late March or early April" by Harbor Master J.J. Lassabe.

Lassabe told the Echo that he passed out a survey to commercial fishermen and other tenants docked at the harbor, and asked them what month they wanted to schedule the celebration, what Sunday, and if they planned to participate.

Clark said she got one response back, and Lassabe said he got back two, but Clark got lots of phone calls after word that the blessing might be cancelled started circulating around town.

She said Wednesday, she had 94 persons either calling or coming into the office, who wanted the blessing.

"I feel really bad about this, and I know a lot of people do," said Clark.

She said traditionally some of the revenues generated from food and beverages sold during the blessing goes into a fund for scholarships distributed annually to needy students.

"We won't have as much money to give out this year," she said.

McDonald said he has appointed Ward 2 Alderman Margaret Jean Kalif to form a committee that will be charged with coordinating a smaller celebration this year and a full-scale traditional parade of decorated boats next year.

Most merchants along Scenic Drive were hesitant to comment on the situation with many saying they didn't know circumstances behind the chamber decision.

But, Ed Valentino, who has run his gift shop in the area going on 14 years, said, "It's sad that something that we as a community have been celebrating for such a long time is in jeopardy."

He said he didn't think the annual celebration had a large economic impact in terms of the revenues it generated from visitors, but, "This was a tradition, a time for a small community to come together and celebrate," he added.

Kalif said she is working with Hancock Bank's Vice President Chuck Breath, who is President of the Chamber, and the Harbor Master to stage "a smaller celebration this year."

She said she plans to add commercial shrimpers and others to the committee in the future, "and we want to kick off a really big celebration next year, with better prizes and more events."

She said sportsman "Big" Bill Mahoney has offered a priest the use of his boat this year.

"We'll have the priest go along the harbor and bless the boats, and we'll have some food and beverages, and maybe some music," said Kalif.

The date decided on is the second Sunday in June, the 8th.

Casino

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previous decision of the DEQ, which granted both projects approval last January.

In its final decision approving both projects, the DEQ modified its original order to some extent, but the amendments were technical in nature, dealing mainly with wastewater treatment and construction.

The DEQ decision will allow both developers to apply to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for permits to construct in wetlands.

The \$200 million Casino World project is proposed off the south Diamondhead exit of Interstate 10, and the 404-acre tract is optioned by Europa Cruise Corp., headquartered in Madeira Beach, Fla. The water bottoms in the Bay belong to the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission, which will be paid \$400,000 annually to lease the bottoms.

Last February, Europa announced it had entered into an agreement with the giant Hilton Gaming Corp., to develop the Diamondhead property as a joint venture.

Deborah Vitale, Europa's Chairman of the Board and former EPA employee, said talks with Hilton are continuing, and that firm's exclusive right to negotiate with Europa on a joint venture will expire "on or around July 30."

She also hailed the reaffirmation of the decision and was complimentary on the way the evidentiary hearing was conducted by retired federal judge Charles Clark of Jackson.

"We would like to say the judge did an exemplary job," said Vitale. "I think the opponents had every opportunity to bring to the attention of the Commission any serious concerns that they had."

"I think the record will demonstrate that this project will have no adverse impact on the water quality in the Bay of St. Louis."

Vitale also said the DEQ staff "did an excellent job in considering all of the issues, including those raised by the opponents and the investors."

She said as the project proceeds, "Europa intends to comply fully with all the environ-

mental regulations and lay to rest any concerns that this project will adversely impact the water quality of the Bay of St. Louis."

She added, "Europa respects the beauty of the Bay and has no intentions of destroying that very beauty that made this site so attractive."

Board of Supervisors President Philip Moran was also elated over the CEQ decision.

He said the growing county sorely needs revenues expected to be generated by the Casino World development to build a juvenile detention center and to improve schools.

"This is a pro-business Board of Supervisors," said Moran. "If we can bring in any business to the county that would keep us from raised taxes, it's to everybody's benefit."

As envisioned, the Casino World project would include two gambling barges in the Bay. The related development calls for a 450-room hotel, a nine-hole golf course, a tennis complex, a park for recreational vehicles, a 2,000-seat entertainment/sports arena, and a multi-story parking garage, along with ground parking.

Services

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Stieffel-Ray American Legion Post 77 will begin Memorial Day services at 11 a.m. at the post home.

Commander Thomas W. Bunce, U.S. Navy, will be the guest speaker.

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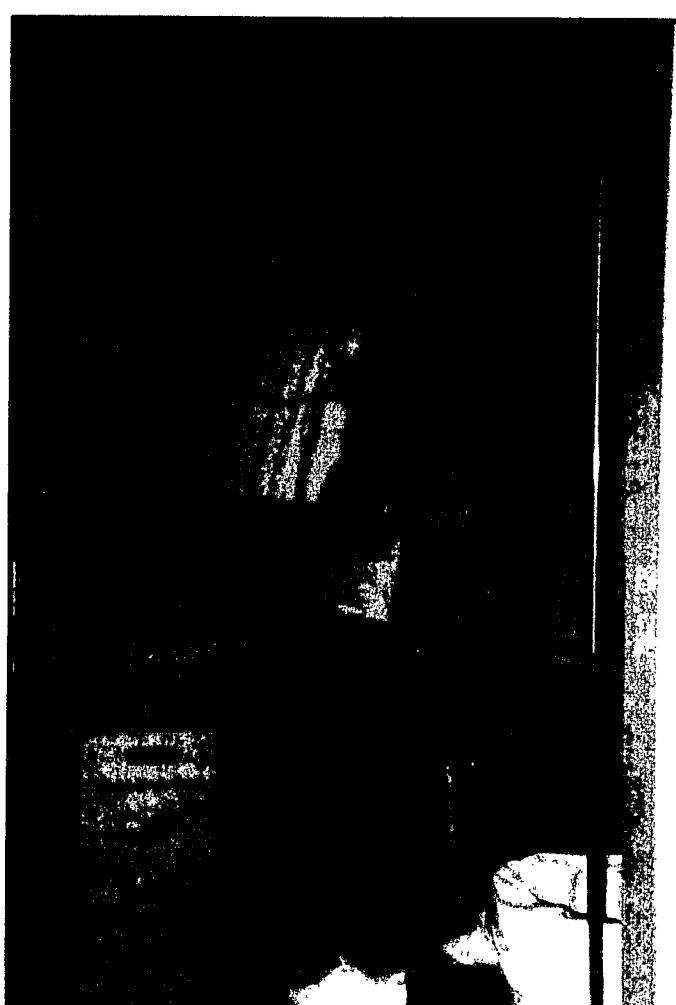
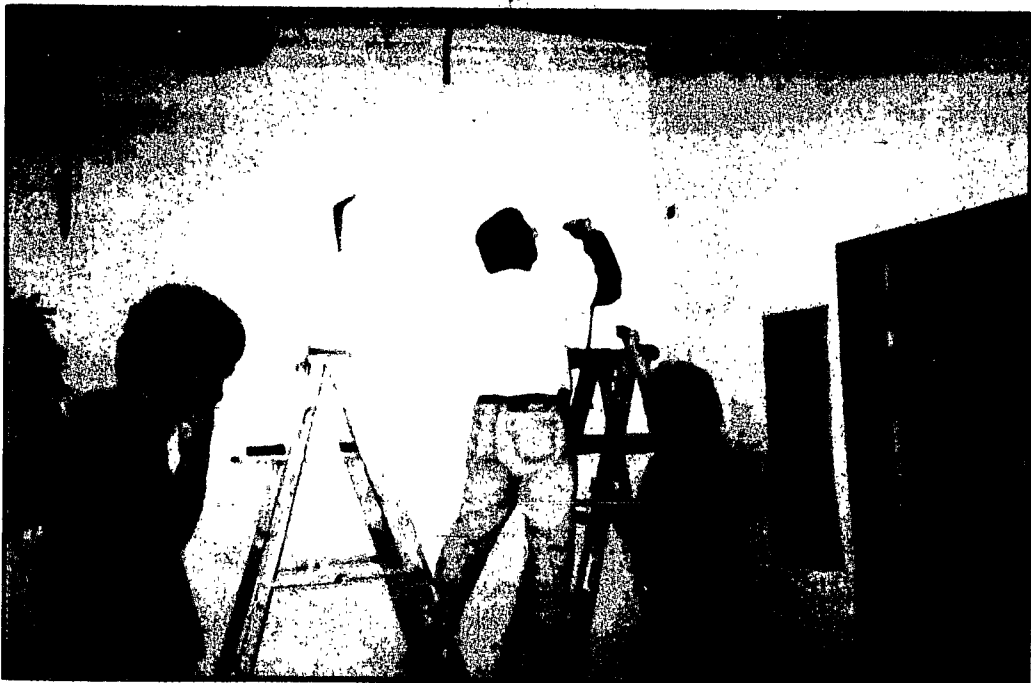
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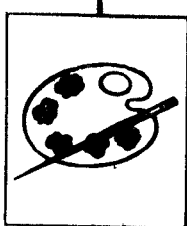
Recently, businesses, interested community members, governmental agencies, parents, teachers, and school officials came together to wire North Bay Elementary School for the Internet. Seventy-five people ran 8,000 feet of computer wire, and over 600 feet of fiber optical cable. The first phase was completed by late afternoon.

The next weekend, 20 volunteers returned to terminate the 104 lines that had been run the previous week. Attaching the jacks and plugs actually took longer than running the wire. By the end of the day, North Bay had 93 functional lines.

Local businesses that helped included Monti Electric, Hubbards Waveland Hardware, McDonald

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Artists invited to Ohr Fall Festival of Arts

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Carvers festival

The Louisiana Wildfowl Carvers and Collectors Guild sponsors an annual Wildfowl Carvers Festival Aug. 9 and 10 in the Health and Physical Education Building, University of New Orleans.

The festival attracts competi-

tive entries from around the country. In 1996 there were 192 carvers from 26 states and Canada and the Peoples Republic of China.

While the primary emphasis of the festival is decoy carving, the guild has broadened the experience with competitions in photography, painting, pyrographic art, fish carving, miniature boats and miscellaneous carving categories.

The guild holds meeting on the last Wednesday of each month (except July, August and December) at which ongoing work is displayed and explained by the attending artists, and a guest lecturer gives a demonstration of some aspect of the wildlife art form. Meetings are held in the DeLaSalle High School Cafeteria, 5300 St. Charles Ave. (turn on Leontine) at 7:30 p.m.

For information, call (504) 834-8878.

Bonner Gallery

Jim Bonner is a graphic de-

signer and artist in New Orleans and Pass Christian (103 East Scenic Drive, 601-452-3397), and has been active in design and marketing programs for many businesses and products in New Orleans and the Gulf South area.

Bonner and other local artists' duck and shorebird carvings, hand painted furniture, gifts and jewelry are available for commissioned assignments, along with many original watercolor, oil paintings and limited edition prints.

Hillyer House exhibit

Hillyer House April-May exhibits include watercolors by Dr. Gerald Wessler; pastel glaze pottery by Susan and Ray Allen of Tennessee; sterling silver jewelry collection by Janka Neilson of Denmark; handblown glass mermaid sculptures by Mark Payton of Ohio.

The collection is on display and for sale. Hours are 10-5 Monday-Saturday, 12-5 Sun-

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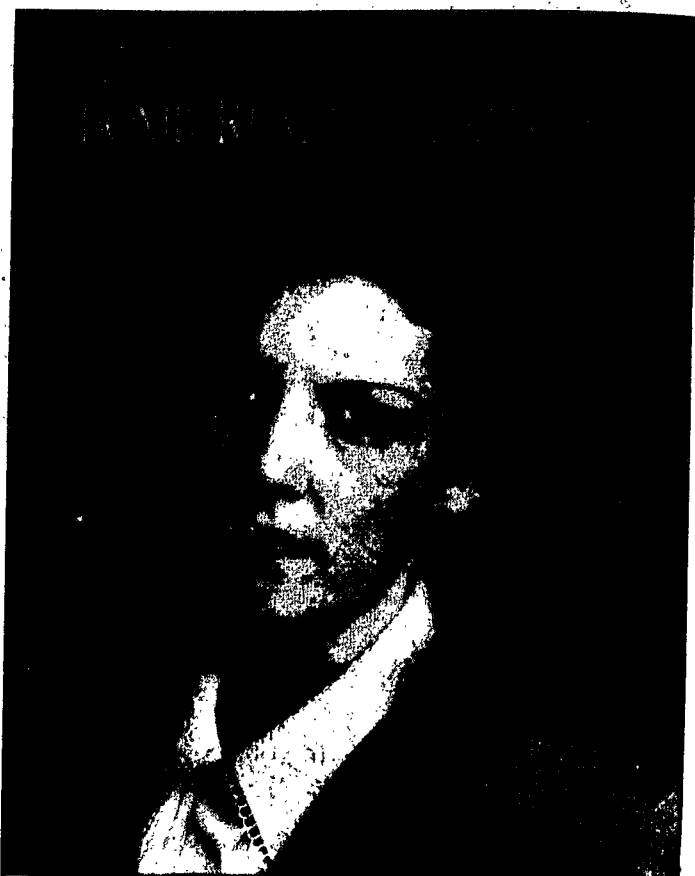
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Mississippians celebrate endowment

It was a "historic gathering" recently as supporters of the National Endowment for the Humanities celebrated the agency charged with preserving American history and culture.

Among the crowd of several hundred on hand were Senator Thad Cochran, Congressman Gene Taylor and noted historian and presidential biographer Stephen Ambrose of Bay St. Louis, to commend the National Endowment for the Humanities, which distributes grants to smaller state organizations like the Mississippi Humanities Council.

The private, Mississippi-based nonprofit organization in Jackson receives nearly \$500,000 a year from the federal agency; each dollar received is matched in cash or in kind by Mississippians.



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Registration begins for Hancock library's summer reading program

Pre-registration for the Hancock County Library Systems 1997 Summer Reading Program will begin Tuesday, May 27, according to David Woodburn, library system public service coordinator.

"Fantasy Quest" is the theme this year, and children and young adults, pre-school age through eighth grade, are urged to enter the world of fantasy found in books and reading.

Pre-registration will run through Monday, June 3, with programs and activities beginning June 4 and running

through July 3. Programs will be held Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Kiln Library; Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library; and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Waveland Library Literacy Center.

Each participant will receive a reading record on which to record books read, and those who complete the program will receive a certificate. Awards will be presented the week of July 1. A library card is required to check out all books. Books may

be checked out at all three branches of the library system.

To register, children should go to the library branch nearest them and then visit that branch at least four times and check out at least six books between May 27 and July 3. To validate each visit, each reading record must be stamped. Merit stamps will be presented for every five books read beyond the basic goal of six books. Children will be allowed to register through June 19.

Some of this year's programs include Dances of the World, magical entertainment, Walter the Giant Storyteller, Bayou Town Puppet Show, dragon stories and more.

For information, contact David Woodburn, Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Public Library, 467-5282; Sandra Ladner, Kiln Library, 255-1724; or Donna Hutchings, Waveland Library Literacy Center, 467-9240.

PRCC's VICA statement

The Pearl River Community College's Vocational Industrial Club of America (VICA) made a brash statement at the state Job Skills Competition held at East Central Community College in Decatur April 14-16.

"Competition and other trade fields were extremely competitive. All of the participants had a wonderful time. They were able to meet the top of the field in the state," according to Darryl Smith, VICA advisor.

Winners from PRCC included:

- Dusty Anderson of Perkinson placed second in residential wiring.

- Charles Gilbert of Picayune placed second in masonry.

- Joseph Grewlich of Picayune placed first in robotic work cell.

- Roland Cuevas from Hancock County was elected state parliamentarian.

Cuevas and Grewlich will go to Kansas City, Mo. in June for

the national skills competition. There will be some 7,000 members present at the national competition.

PRCC's VICA members extend a special thanks to Porter Soley, brick masonry instructor, for his contributions.

Bay Little Theatre holding youth auditions

The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre announces auditions after June 15 for two plays for children and teenagers. There will be no fee, but the actors must provide their own costumes if they are unable to find something suitable from the theatre's collection.

Glenda Coss will direct the play for children ages 7-12. Coss, who has extensive experience as both a director and actor, conducted the children's

workshop for the theatre last summer.

The theater welcomes Alice Holmes back as director of the play for ages 13 and older. Holmes was active for many years with the Bay St. Louis Little Theatre and Waveland Players as both actor and director of youth plays. Her husband, John, has also assisted both groups with set building and stage lighting.

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American Legion Auxiliary 139

President Ladner suspended regular business in order to accommodate two guest speakers, Commander of Post 139, Wayne Oliver, and Danielle Lind, who was sponsored by Unit 139 to attend the Leadership and Youth Conference at the Freedom Foundation in Valley Forge, Pa.

The Women in the Military Memorial Group invited members of Unit 139 to attend the Women's Military Memorial dedication ceremony in Washington, D.C. Oct. 16-19.

Phyllis Moran reported the findings of the audit committee. Committee member Roz Weathers was unable to serve, so Retta Cardin was appointed in her place.

Treasurer Janet Aime suggested a new form that should be filled out when seeking reimbursement or funds from the Unit, detailing the amount and type of expenditure.

Moran reported that Lou Wilkerson has recorded the last two years on computer disc and will work with Wilkerson so that all future records would be much easier to maintain.

Lucille Boudreaux reported on the VA party May 8. Some 22 veterans were served gumbo prepared by Margie Schultz. The commander and unit president both attended and welcomed the veterans. Next month Gus Aime will prepare a fish fry, exact date to be announced.

Mattie North reported that Unit 139 now has 448 members, including 17 new members. There are 326 seniors and 122 juniors.

At the suggestion of Janet Aime, the Unit voted that the standing rules reflect that Unit 139 sponsor a Bay St. Louis Girls Softball team in the amount of \$300 for all equipment as long as funds are available.

Memorial Day ceremonies will be held May 26 at St. Mary's Cemetery on Necaise at 9 a.m. Participants will return to the Post at 10 a.m. Members are requested to come and wear their uniforms, which will be a white blouse and navy blue pants or skirts with a blue blazer optional.

State convention will be held July 11-13 in Jackson. It is time to choose delegates at this meeting since all names must be sent to state by June 11. Unit 139 is eligible to have 17 delegates and three at-large delegates at the convention. Those planning to attend are Janet Aime, at-large; Phyllis Moran, at-large; Charlotte Sellers, Elaine Cowie, Hazel Breland, Margie Schultz, Joyce Bermond, Nelma Matinez, Lucille Boudreaux, Marion Foucha, Mattie North, Billy Tudury, Madeline Forsch, Doris Long, Barbara Cambry, Betty LaFontaine, Jeanette Ladner and Lou Wilkerson, at-large.

Those to attend as a delegate should contact Jeanette Ladner not later than June 7.

Marion Foucha and Lucille Boudreaux remind the membership that two members of the Unit, Janet Aime and Phyllis Moran, are running for state offices and would benefit from campaign help.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly

WAVELAND

TOPS MS 233 Waveland met Tuesday, May 21 at the Waveland Public Library. Joanne the week's best losers with 11½ pounds. Tammy was the weeks best youth loser with 1½ pounds. Ruth W. was the best KOPS loser.

Joanne received a charm for losing 10 pounds, and Kathy received a charm for losing six weeks in a row.

The quarterly losers were Sherrie, 22½ pounds; Katherine with three pounds, and Debbie was the KOPS loser. Perfect attendance charms went to Debbie, Jeanette, Karen and Ella. Banners for 25 miles went to Linda, Debbie and Nubia; for 50 miles, Ruth B. and Jenny. There were 20 members present. Judy presented a program on backsliding.

TOPS MS 233 meets every Tuesday. Weight-ins are from 8:45 a.m. with the meeting immediately following weigh-in.

Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and maintaining that weight loss is welcome to visit the TOPS chapter. Interested persons are invited to call Ruth at 466-9880.

Bay-Waveland Jaycees

On June 28, the Bay-Waveland Jaycees will have their first annual Kids Fest. There will be booths with games, food and fun. Those interested in having a craft booth or be a vendor offering something for the children, contact Pennie Brogle at 467-3192.

Speaker at the May 21 meeting was Janet White of Hancock Investment Planning, who spoke about the services of her department and investing money for the future.

Meetings will be the first and third Wednesday of every months at 7:30 p.m. in the back room of the Fire Dog Saloon on Beach Blvd. Anyone between 21 and 39 is welcome to be a member. For membership information, call Billy Ross at 601-255-6918.

Hancock Women's Club

The Hancock Women's Club met at Jack's Restaurant May 8.

The president welcomed 35 members and four guests. Visiting guests were Sister Francesca Truxillo of Mt. Carmel Academy, Jackie Magee, Myrtle Blanchard and Mary Becker.

Announcement was made that a recliner chair was purchased for the Senior citizens Center and delivered to the new facility for their grand opening day.

Money was collected for the Hancock Food Pantry. The previous month's food donations were given to St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Jackie Magee of AARP presented a program on "55 Alive/Mature Driving," which offered numerous safety tips on rules for the road. Magee also stated that the AARP program offers an eight-hour classroom course presented over a two-day period which emphasizes how to adjust one's driving skills to age-

related physical changes. It was also mentioned that auto insurance companies in Mississippi offer a discount to persons completing the eight-hour course.

Rosemary Kirchem, hospitality chairman, announced that Fun and Games Day will take place at the Train Depot Wednesday, May 28 at 11 a.m. Arrangements were made for lunch and games. Guests are invited. Location and plans for Fun and Games Day in June will be announced at the next meeting. It is expected that these plans will reveal a surprise.

Theda Fischer, vice-president, informed the membership that Diamondhead Resort Inn will host the next meeting Thursday, June 12. Members are asked to arrive at 10:30 a.m. so as to allow time to sign attendance register before the meeting which begins promptly at 11 a.m.



Garden club winners

Representatives of seven Mississippi garden clubs recently received national awards of the National Council of State Garden clubs for 1996 flower shows. Receiving the awards during the 68th annual GCM convention in Natchez were, from left, Patsy Giles, McComb Garden Club, which received two awards for a patriotic show and a public building and garden show; Denise Geter, Natchez, Pilgrimage Garden Club, home and public show; Lillie Earle, Lexington, Magnolia Garden Club, near flower show with Tchula Garden Club; Brierley Acker, Diamondhead Garden Club, standard flower show; Faye Lehman, Natchez Garden Club, standard flower show; Lois Varnell, Amory, Flower Lovers Garden Club, standard flower show. Pine Burr Garden Club of Meadville also received a standard flower show award for club of fewer than 21 members.

Ballard award nominee

Jim Ballard, 1997 nominee for the Music Award from the Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters, is a Bay St. Louis resident and founding member of the newly organized reper-

toary company, Serenity Players. Ballard has degrees in architecture and music. He is accompanist for the Coast Choral, pianist and choir director for the Diamondhead and Clermont Harbor United Methodist churches, and a teacher of piano and voice.

A composer, his recent works include 'A Rose in the Moon' (in collaboration with librettist Ray Kutos), an original musical based on a story by Jimmy Smith of Meridian; 'Hodie' and 'Ave Maria,' premiered by the Coast Choral locally and in Vienna, Austria, in 1996; and 'Praise the Lord,' commissioner by St. Paul Catholic Church for its 150th year celebration.

He also makes tapes and performs regularly as keyboardist



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BIRTHS

KOREY MATHEW CUEVAS

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Cuevas of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their second child, Korey Mathew, May 9, 1997 at 12:34 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.
He weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce.
Mrs. Cuevas is the former Victoria Angle.
Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Angle Sr. of Bay St. Louis.
Paternal grandmother is Lena Nicoloso of Waveland.
Great-grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Gene Leimkuhler of Kenner, La.
Korey is welcomed by his sister Kristin Samantha.

JOSHUA RAY PARKER

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Parker of Long Beach announce the birth of their first child, Joshua Ray, May 7, 1997 at 7:02 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.
He weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce.
Mrs. Parker is the former Jenni McKay.
Maternal grandparents are John McKay and Bobbie Russell of Pass Christian.
Paternal grandparents are the Rev. James E. Parker and Mildred I. Parker (deceased), Moselle, Miss.
Great-grandparents include Shellie Leoni, Jessie McKay, Parnell McKay (deceased), Pass Christian.

BRITTANY NICOLE FRANZEN

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Franzen IV of Kiln announce the birth of their second child, Brittany Nicole, May 12, 1997 at 11:40 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.
She weighed 9 pounds, 11 ounces.
Mrs. Franzen is the former Bonnie Smith.
Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henery M. Smith of Diamondhead.
Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Franzen III of Kiln.
Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Franzen Jr. Brittany is welcomed by her brother Christopher.

CHEYENNE RENEE CARVER

Michael Carver and Rhonda Salley of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their first child, Cheyenne Renee, May 10, 1997 at 8:14 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.
She weighed 11 pounds, 5 ounces.
Maternal grandparents are Jim and Ellen Salley of Perkinston.
Paternal grandparents are Clifford and Miyuki Carver of Bay St. Louis.

NATHAN JAMES LADNER

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Ladner of Bay St. Louis announces the birth of their first child, Nathan James, May 10, 1997 at 5:09 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.
He weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce.
Mrs. Ladner is the former Pepper Uhles.
Grandparents are Terryl and Myrna Ladner of Bay St. Louis.

BRETT ANTHONY TOUPS

Mr. and Mrs. Touns of Carriere announce the birth of their second child, Brett Anthony Touns, May 16, 1997 at 12:49 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.
He weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces.
Mrs. Touns is the former Danna Lowe.
Maternal grandparents are Susan Perdue, Paul and Pam Lowe.
Paternal grandparents are Paula Touns and Robert Sr. and Greer Touns.
Great-grandparents include Ada Touns, Harry Perdue, Alberta Perdue, Donald and Dorathy Lowe.
Brett is welcomed by his brother Dylan.

ROSELIA MECHELLE VALDOVINOS

Mickie White and Jose Valdovinos of Waveland announce the birth of their second child, Roselia Mechelle Valdovinos, May 15, 1997 at 9:20 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.
She weighed 6 pounds.
Maternal grandparents are Dianne White and Robert White of Bossier City, La.
Paternal grandparents are Augustine and Maria de Jesus Valdovinos.
Great-grandparent is La Vern Nicholas.
Roselia is welcomed by her brother Austin Bailey White.

ANDREW JAMES BERRY

Mr. and Mrs. James Berry of Pass Christian announce the birth of their third child, Andrew James, May 15, 1997 at 2:26 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.
He weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces.
Mrs. Berry is the former Rose Nordan.
Maternal grandparents are Reid and Frances Nordan of Sidell.
Paternal grandparents are James Berry of Lake Charles, La., and Nina Berry of Westlake, La.
Andrew is welcomed by brothers Matthieu and Zachary.

OLIVIA KATHLEEN FERRARO

Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore W. Ferraro of Kinnelon, N.J. announce the birth of their second child, Olivia Kathleen, May 10, 1997 at 9:57 a.m. at The Valley Hospital in Ridgewood, N.J.
She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces.
Mrs. Ferraro is the former Margaret Kathleen Cuevas.
Maternal grandparents are Mr. Milton J. Cuevas of Washington Township, N.J. and the late Mrs. Eleanor C. Cuevas.
Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore W. Ferraro Sr. of Kinnelon.
Great-grandparents include the late Mr. and Mrs. Monroe F. Cuevas Sr. and the late Mr. and Mrs. Tom Connell and the late Mr. and Mrs. William Ferraro and the late Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Insinga.
Olivia is welcomed by her brother Jacob.



SSC grad honored

LSU senior Roberto Jimenez of Costa Rica has been awarded the Harold T. Barr Memorial Scholarship by LSU's Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering. Jimenez, a biological engineering major, is a member of the Student Government Association, LSU men's soccer team, Phi Eta Sigma, Gamma Beta Phi and Alpha Lambda Delta. He also serves as an LSU Ambassador. He attended St. Stanislaus. He is the son of Teddy and Ana Lucia Jimenez of San Jose, Costa Rica.

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Dr. Robert Muller, a physician specializing in gynecology and menopause, will conduct this informative program, followed by a question/answer session. The screening and seminar will be held Thursday, June 5 at NorthShore Regional Medical Center's Main Dining Room, 100 Medical Center Drive. The osteoporosis screening, which is a simple urine test, will begin at 6 p.m. The seminar starts at 7 p.m.

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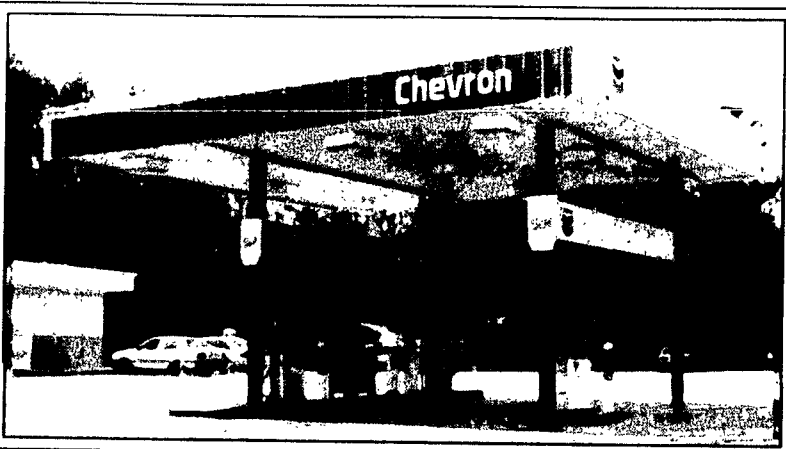
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Congressman's papers donated

The congressional papers of U.S. Rep. Larkin Smith have been donated to the University of Southern Mississippi Archives.

Sheila Smith of Long Beach, the Republican congressman's widow, and Smith's congressional chief of staff, Cy Faneca of Gulfport, presented approximately 64 cubic feet of materials from Larkin Smith's congressional office to the archives.

Larkin Smith was a native of Poplarville and veteran Gulf Coast law enforcement officer who was elected in 1988 to the U.S. House of Representatives from the 5th District to fill the seat vacated by the election of

Trent Lott to the U.S. Senate. In August 1989, Smith was killed when his small plane crashed in Perry County following a speaking engagement in Hattiesburg.

Smith spent 23 years in law enforcement, including serving two terms as Harrison County sheriff. During his eight-month service in the U.S. House of Representatives, Smith was designated ranking member of the Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations. The designation — ranking member — made Smith the most senior Republican on the committee even though he was a freshman.

He was also selected by the House leadership to serve on task forces on defense, crime and the savings and loan industry; and he was the first non-lawyer to sit on the House Judiciary Committee.

Shortly before his death, Smith was awarded the Criminal Justice Man of the Year Award by USM's Criminal Justice Student Association.

In 1989, the Larkin Smith Endowed Scholarship Fund was established at USM for students majoring in criminal justice who best exemplify the character and service of Larkin Smith. Smith's daughter, Tracey, is a USM graduate.

PRCC's Mullins receives award

For two weeks this summer, the Pearl River Community College biology instructor Joyce Mullins will be hiking through the forests in northern Argentina.

Mullins will be on a team to track, observe, capture, measure and release Black Howlers along the Rio Riachuelo near the Paraguayan border.

Mullins has received the Earthwatch Education Award for Team I of Dr. Givindasamy Agoramoorthy's project — Black Howlers. The award is made possible by a grant from the Phil Hardin Foundation.

For 11 days the team will collect hard data on the population and group structure, genetics, and behavior of Black Howlers — a black monkey no bigger than an infant.

The Black Howler is one of six species whose roaring call can carry five kilometers through dense forest. Some are black and some females and their clinging infants are straw-

colored.

Despite its roar, the Howler is not king of the jungle, but rather a primate species threatened by poaching and habitat loss.

Mullins and her group will help wildlife managers and captive breeders seek data to help conserve the species, which is restricted to a small part of South America.

Some days the group will observe for 12 straight hours, noting social behavior. On other days, Mullins and her group will be doing a demographic study, identifying individual males by their natural markings, recording group composition, and capturing selected monkeys for sexing, weighing and ear-tagging.

Dr. Agoramoorthy of the Smithsonian Institution has studied free-ranging primates in India, Taiwan, Liberia, Trinidad and Venezuela, where he led teams on Red Howlers.

She will also work with Julio Cesar Ruiz of the Argentinian

Primate Center and with Dr. Gabriel Zunino, a researcher at Buenos Aires' Argentine Museum of Natural Sciences and Dr. Ragna Lohmann, who will test urine, feces and blood samples at Germany's Max Planck Institute.

Mullins, a doctoral candidate at the University of Southern Mississippi, is a member of the National Science Teachers Association and National Association of Research in Science Teaching.

She was named Mississippi Conservation Teacher of the Year in 1992 and was Mississippi's Outstanding Biology Teacher runner-up in 1989. She was cited by the Mississippi Academy of Science Outstanding Contributions to Secondary Science teaching in 1991.

Mullins, a native of Monroe, La. and a resident of Lumberton, has been employed at Pearl River Community College since 1995. She was previously employed by the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory.

Burnett achieves first with diploma

William H. Burnett's only regret about receiving his master's degree from the University of Southern Mississippi May 16 is that his wife will beat him across the stage.

Cynthia Burnett will receive her master's of business administration at the same ceremony. Because of the graduation order, she will actually receive her degree first.

Burnett, 32, — a civilian who works as atmospheric programs manager for the commander of the Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command at Stennis Space Center — may not be the first family member crossing the stage.

But he is the first in what USM officials hope is a growing number of Navy personnel to seek and achieve a graduate degree through USM's Institute of Marine Sciences at Stennis.

After all, said Dr. Denis Wiesenburg, USM associate professor of marine science, that's why the program was developed in the first place.

"Bill will become the first Navy employee at Stennis to receive a marine science degree from USM," Wiesenburg said. "The university's marine science degree program was established at Stennis in 1986 to provide an opportunity for federal employees to obtain graduate degrees (onsite)."

Burnett received a bachelor's degree in meteorology from the University of Oklahoma. He has been employed at Stennis for eight years and is currently part of the Navy office com-

manded by rear Admiral Paul G. Gaffney II.

Burnett is originally from Bartlesville, Okla. He is the son

of Elmer and Malinda Burnett of Oklahoma City. He and Cynthia and their son, Miles, 2, reside in Diamondhead.

Library's summer reading program

"Fantasy Quest," the theme for the Hancock County Library System's 1997 Summer Reading Program, will begin Tuesday, July 3. Pre-registration for children and young adults, pre-school age through eighth grade, will begin Tuesday, May 27 at all three branches of the library system.

Pre-registration will run through Monday. Programs will be held Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Kiln Library; Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library; and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Waveland Library Literacy Center.

Each participant will receive a reading record on which to record books read, and those who complete the program will receive a certificate. Awards will be presented the week of July 1. A library card is required to check out all books. Books may be checked out at all three branches of the library system.

To register, children should go to the library branch nearest them and then visit that branch at least four times and check out at least six books between May 27 and July 3. To validate

each visit, each reading record must be stamped. Merit stamps will be presented for every five books read beyond the basic goal of six books. Children will be allowed to register through June 19.

Some of this year's programs include Dances of the World, magical entertainment, Walter the Giant Storyteller, Bayou Town Puppet Show, dragon stories and much more.

For information, contact David Woodburn, Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Public Library, 467-5282; Sandra Ladner, Kiln Library, 255-1724; or Donna Hutchings, Waveland Library Literacy Center, 467-9240.

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For information, contact MFA at 601-354-4300 (330 N. State St., Suite 201, Jackson, MS 39203-3200).

Seven inducted

Seven Pass Christian High School students were recently inducted into the National French Honor Society.

To be a member, students must have an A average in French and at least a B in "other subjects and must have completed three semesters in French.

Pass Christian students inducted were Gabrielle Lewis, Vanessa Culpepper, Karen Langenbacher, Megan Newman, Denise McKay, Leah Parkerson and Cheryl Tascelin.

Students attend math tournament

Coast Episcopal Middle Schoolers, from left, Andrew Scott, Alisa Millet, Jacob Davis and Ted Houghtaling, attended the Mississippi Council of Teacher of Math District Tournament. The math tournament is held annually to encourage and reward excellence in math among seventh and eighth graders. Eighth grader Davis, second from right, placed fifth overall.

Willett addresses Carey graduates

Cheryl Willett, a graduating senior from Waveland, addressed the first graduation exercise of William Carey College on the Coast.

Ceremonies were held May 17 at First Baptist Church, Gulfport, with a reception fol-

lowing on the William Carey campus. Approximately 185 students received bachelor and master degrees.

"The decision to hold ceremonies on the two branch campuses, New Orleans and Gulfport as well as in Hattiesburg,

was made in order to accommodate the friends and relatives of our graduates," said Jim Edwards, Chancellor.

Music was presented by Leo Day. Other participating included Coast Vice President Pat Pison.

HANCOCK COUNTY RESOLUTION OF INTENTION

The Board of Supervisors, acting for and on behalf of Hancock County, Mississippi (the "County") and the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission (the "Commission") took up for consideration the matter of authorizing and approving a loan on behalf of the County from the Mississippi Department of Economic and Community Development (the "Department") for the purpose of making improvements to the Stennis International Airport Facility and thereby promoting commerce and economic growth.

Thereupon Supervisor Steve Seymour seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing resolution:

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF Hancock COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE A LOAN ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY AND THE Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission

FROM THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN A MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED Four Hundred Fifty Thousand DOLLARS (\$450,000.00)

FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE Stennis International AIRPORT FACILITY TO PROMOTE COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi (the "Governing Body" of the "County"), does hereby find, determine, adjudicate and declare as follows

1. The Mississippi Business Investment Act, constituting Sections 57-61-1 et seq. Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (the "Act"), was enacted for the purpose of promoting business and economic development in the State of Mississippi (the "State") through investment by private companies locating in the State.

2. Pursuant to Section 57-61-41 of the Act, the Department is authorized to make interest-bearing loans to state, county or municipal airport authorities for the purpose of making improvements to airport facilities.

3. The County and the Authority will agree to improve the airport facilities and will request the Department to finance a portion of the cost associated with the development of these improvements (the "Project").

4. Pursuant to the Act and guidelines adopted by the Department, the County and Commission will file an application with the Department for a loan to be used for the development of The Project in the amount of Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$450,000.00) (the "Loan").

5. The County and the Commission will enter into a Loan Agreement (the "Agreement") with the Department wherein the County and Authority agree to borrow the proceeds of the Loan subject to and upon the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

6. In order to secure the Loan, the County and the Commission will execute and deliver to the Department a Promissory Note (the "Note"). Failure of the County to meet its repayment obligations shall result in the forfeiture of sales tax allocation and/or homestead exemption reimbursement in an amount sufficient to repay obligations due pursuant to Section 57-61-15 (7) of the Act. Upon forfeiture of the County of its sales tax allocations and/or homestead exemption reimbursement for twelve (12) months, the County may levy an ad valorem tax on the taxable property therein for the purpose of meeting its repayment obligation in accordance with Section 57-61-15(8) of the Act. The revenue produced from the tax levy shall not be included within the ten percent (10%) growth limitation on ad valorem tax receipts for its general budget.

7. The Loan shall not be deemed indebtedness within the meaning specified in Section 19-9-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Governing Body of the County, does hereby declare its intention to authorize and approve a Loan from the Department in the principal amount not to exceed Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$450,000.00) for the purpose of making improvements to the Stennis International Airport Facility thereby promoting commerce and economic growth.

Section 2. The Loan will be secured by a Note executed and delivered by the County and the Authority to the Department. Pursuant to Section 57-61-15 (7) of the Act, failure of the County to meet its repayment obligations shall result in the forfeiture of sales tax allocation and/or homestead exemption reimbursement in an amount sufficient to repay obligations due until such time as the indebtedness has been discharged or arrangements to discharge such indebtedness satisfactory to the Department have been made. Upon forfeiture of the County of its sales tax allocations and/or homestead exemption reimbursement for twelve (12) months, the County may levy an ad valorem tax on the taxable property therein for the purpose of meeting its repayment obligation in accordance with Section 57-61-15(8) of the Act. The revenue produced from the tax levy shall not be included within the ten percent (10%) growth limitation on ad valorem tax receipts for its general budget.

Section 3. The Governing Body proposes to authorize and approve the Loan from the Department in the amount and for the aforesaid purposes at a meeting of the Governing Body to be held at its regular meeting place at the Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 25th day of May, 1997, or at some meeting held subsequent thereto. If twenty percent (20%) or fifteen hundred (1,500), whichever is less, of the qualified electors in the County shall file a written protest with the Clerk of the County against the authorization and approval for the Loan on or before the aforesaid date and hour, then the Loan shall not be entered into unless authorized at an election on the question of authorizing and approving the Loan. Such election shall be called and held as provided by law. If no protest is filed, then the Loan may be entered into without an election on the question of authorizing and approving the Loan at any time within a period of two (2) years after the date above specified.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be published once a week for at least four (4) consecutive weeks in the Sea Coast Echo, a newspaper published in the City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi and having a general circulation in the County and qualified under the provisions of Section 13-3-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. The first publication of this Resolution shall be made not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to May 28, 1997, and the last publication shall be made not more than seven (7) days prior to such date, said Resolution to be published on May 4, 11, 18, 25, 1997.

Section 5. The Clerk of the County shall be and is hereby directed to procure from the publisher of the aforesaid newspaper the customary proof of said publication of this Resolution and have the same before the Governing Body on the date and hour specified in Section 3 hereof.

Supervisor Steve Seymour seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

Supervisor <u>Ladner</u>	voted: <u>Yes</u>
Supervisor <u>Pullman</u>	voted: <u>Yes</u>
Supervisor <u>Cowand</u>	voted: <u>Yes</u>
Supervisor <u>Seymour</u>	voted: <u>Yes</u>
Supervisor <u>Moran</u>	voted: <u>Yes</u>

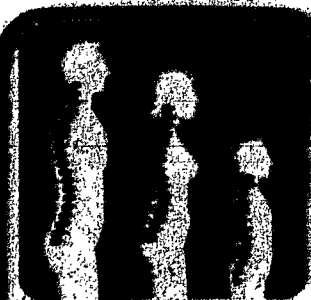
The motion having received the foregoing vote of the Governing Body, the President declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted, on this the 30 day of April, 1997.

Philip Moran
PRESIDENT, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

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Knowing what to look for eases difficulty of choosing a university

Choosing a college or university is a difficult and important decision for many high school students. A student recruiting specialist offers some advice for students and parents who don't know where to begin.

"High school students should

start requesting information and searching for their college choice around the middle of the junior year," says Lisa Buckner, a student recruiting specialist at Mississippi State University.

"To make a good choice, students should spend time decid-

ing what they want to do after they earn the degree. Guidance counselors at high schools should help and provide tools to narrow choices down," Buckner explains.

Knowing what you want to do is no substitute for visiting these schools. Students also should begin to make visits to college campuses at the beginning of their senior year, according to Buckner.

If you're unsure of your future goals, make earlier visits to campuses and "take notice of the personal attention you receive, the social aspects, and the academic reputation," says Buckner. "After your visits, determine which college had the characteristics you desire."

What should students look for in a college? Buckner provides three rules of thumb:

A choice of academic majors. If you're like many students, you're likely to change majors while at school. Make sure the university offers majors in several areas that interest you.

A caring faculty. Are professors concerned about your needs? Are they willing to sit down and talk to you about your plans?

A friendly student body. You should feel confident that you'll make friends and be able to get involved in activities.

How do you know you have chosen the right university? According to Buckner, "Once you've found the university that meets your needs, you will know you have chosen the right one by the feeling you get when you're on campus."

To find out more about a university, check with the student recruiting office. At Mississippi State, contact College and School Relations at (601) 325-3076.

Ole Miss offers summer study abroad program

The University of Mississippi will offer a summer study abroad program on British literature and history in Cambridge, England.

"Studying abroad is an opportunity of a lifetime," said Dr. Luanne Buchanan, Ole Miss professor of modern languages and coordinator of the summer study in Cambridge.

Sponsored by the Ole Miss Center for Public Services and Continuing Studies, the July 14-Aug. 15 program will allow students to select two courses from four being offered: Studies

in English Drama, the English Novel, Great Britain in the Modern Age and Foundations of the Common Law.

Drs. Natalie Schroeder and Karen Rader of the English department and Drs. Michael Landon and Fred Laurenzo of the history department will accompany the group and teach the courses.

"If you can visit only one other city in England besides London, it should be Cambridge," said Schroeder. "I'll be teaching selected British novels, so I'm anxious for my students to absorb the atmosphere in England."

Participants will live in student apartments next to Downing College of Cambridge University. Program cost is \$3,000 and includes tuition, housing, partial board, cultural events and select excursions.

"We'll be seeing London twice, but the excursion I'm most excited about is the one to Dickens country — Gravesend and Rochester," said Schroeder. "You get to be part of an international community of students, living and learning in England," said Buchanan.

For information or to apply for summer study abroad, contact Dr. Luanne Buchanan at (601) 232-7282.

Episcopal students chosen

Christine Andres, Booke Hartwell, Laila Hlass and Amelia Taylor, all seniors at Coast Episcopal School, have been named finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Andres is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vince Andres of Long Beach and has been a student at Coast Episcopal since the fifth grade.

She is co-editor of the school literary magazine and a member of the annual staff, the Youth Environmental Coalition, the National Honor Society, and Mu Alpha Theta.

She has been secretary of her class for four years and a student council representative. She will attend Brown University, where she plans to study bioengineering.

Hartwell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Hartwell of Pass Christian. A student at Coast Episcopal since kindergarten, she was treasurer of her class for two years and this year is class historian.

She was treasurer of the student council, business manager of the yearbook and co-founder of the Pep Squad. She is a member of the National Honor Society and Mu Alpha Theta and attended 1995 Mississippi Governor's School.

She has been active in several equestrian groups for a number of years. She will attend Davidson College.

Hlass is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hlass of Long Beach. A student at Coast Episcopal since kindergarten, she is Coast's 1997 Star Student and has been named a 1997 Presidential Scholar. She has been president of the student council for two years and was named this year's Gulfport Exchange Club Student of the Year. She is co-founder of the Pep Squad, a member of the annual staff, the National Honor Society, and Mu Alpha Theta. She has been a member of the varsity soccer team and was captain and Most Valuable Player this year. Hlass received a scholarship from the National Merit Corporation. She will attend Rice University and study electrical engineering.

Taylor is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor of Pass Christian and has been a student at Coast Episcopal since the fifth grade. She is president of the senior class and has been vice president of the student council and president of SADD.

She is a member of the National Honor Society and Mu Alpha Theta, and last year she received the Bausch and Lomb Science Award.

She was 1997 homecoming queen at CES.

She has received a National Merit Scholarship and a Wilkins Scholarship to the University of the South.

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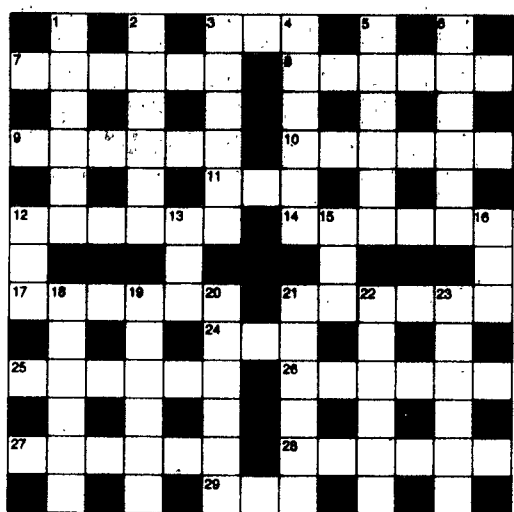
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Mississippi connection brings singer, songwriter together

What's the connection between country music sensation LeAnn Rimes and Nashville-based hit songwriter Dan Tyler? They are both natives of Mississippi, and Tyler is the composer of Rimes' new single, "The Light in Your Eyes."

"The Light in Your Eyes" is one of my favorites on the *Blue* album," said Rimes. "It has such a great message. It has become a theme song for my life. When I get down, the song helps remind me not to give up."

Although the song has just recently been released as a single and is currently at 12 with a bullet on Billboard's May 17 country chart, the story behind Rimes' selection of this song for her album *Blue* dates back to 1995.

Through a chain of mutual friends from Mississippi, Tyler received a videotape of the then-unknown Rimes. He immediately recognized her star potential. "I know within 30 seconds that this young lady was a very special talent," said Tyler. Within days, he had submitted "The Light in Your Eyes" for her consideration.

Tyler remembers a conversa-

tion with Wilbur Rimes, the young singer's manager and father: "I detected a certain drawl in Wilbur's voice, and for some reason I asked him if he was from Mississippi, my home state, and he was. So was LeAnn's mother, Belinda. LeAnn was born in Jackson. I think our Mississippi connection helped establish a rapport between us."

After several delays, "The Light in Your Eyes" was released as a single in March and is continuing to climb the charts. Rimes gave the song special attention by choosing to perform it at the 1997 Academy of Country Music Awards, held April 23, 1997.

Tyler is a veteran songwriter with five number one country hits including: "Hearts on Fire" performed by Eddie Rabbitt; "Bobbie Sue" by the Oak Ridge Boys; "Modern Day Romance" by the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band; "Baby's Got a New Baby" by SKO; and "Twenty Years Ago" by Kenny Rogers.

Tyler is also the author of the new novel *Music City Confidential*, a fast-paced, suspenseful and provocative view of the country music industry. With

the craftsmanship developed through his years of songwriting, Tyler tells a tantalizing story of greed, lust, hope and redemption set against the backdrop of Music City. Although fiction, the book is inspired by his 20 years of experience as a Nashville insider.

Dan Tyler is available for interview by calling Beth Seigenthaler or Asmira Halim at (800) 683-3395. *Music City Confidential* can be found at bookstores nationwide or can be purchased by calling (800) 541-9576.

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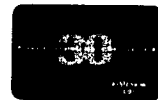
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Safety planning can help ensure a happy vacation

As many Mississippians make summer vacation plans, the Mississippi Division of Public Safety Planning emphasizes that safety be included in the plans.

"Sometimes individuals are swept up with carefree vacation fun to the point that they forget about important safety measures," said Donald O'Cain, the division's executive director. "Overlooking these measures can quickly lead to the loss of life, serious injuries or the loss of property."

O'Cain suggested the following steps if a motor vehicle will be included in the vacation:

— Allow sufficient time to drive within speed limits in reaching the vacation destination and returning.

— Never consume alcoholic beverages before or during the operation of a motor vehicle.

— Always use safety belts and have children buckled into age-appropriate protective devices.

— In vehicles equipped with passenger-side air bags, always have children or small adults ride in the back seat. Even in vehicles not so equipped, the safest place for all children is in the back seat.

— Drive defensively. Try to anticipate what other motorists are going to do.

— Never leave valuables within view in a parked vehicle.

If children are on the vacation, be sure that they remain in view of an adult family member. Drowning, being kidnapped or becoming lost are among the potential dangers for children on vacation.

If the vacation includes staying at a motel or hotel, O'Cain suggests the following:

— Close and lock the main door whenever you're in or leaving your room, and be sure that any sliding glass doors, connecting room doors and windows are locked.

— Never open a door to your room for a person on the outside without verifying his or her identity. If this individual claims to be a motel or hotel employee, call the front desk and ask if an employee is supposed to have access to your room and for what reason.

— Before entering your room, look around carefully to be sure that a stranger is not following you. If a stranger does appear to be following you, to the main lobby rather than to your room.

"If you think about these safety steps and plan with them in mind, you could be taking a giant step toward ensuring that a tragedy won't mar your vacation fun," O'Cain said.

Atlanta Rhythm Section plays at America Live!

Grand Casino Gulfport and America Live! bring The Atlanta Rhythm Section, the "quintessential American band," to the Mississippi Gulf Coast Friday, May 30, at 8 p.m.

The Atlanta Rhythm Section, which as a group has enjoyed the success of 12 albums, was formed from a collection of solo artists. All band members began as single teenage acts following great music leaders like Roy Orbison and Jimmy Page through England and Europe.

Individually, they were in demand for sessions but decided to take a chance and form their own group to develop their own music style.

The band celebrated their 25 years of music making by producing a very special anniversary album. The record features three new ARS hits as well as the biggest hits from the band's previous 11 albums. Once again, the sounds of the Atlanta Rhythm Section will be heard and loved around the world.

For reserved tickets call the America Live Box Office, Grand

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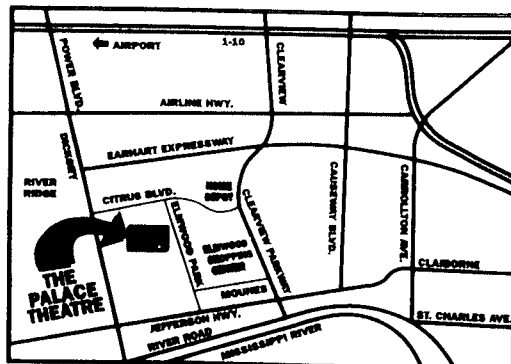
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Fast action helps save choking victim

It can happen in a split second. One minute you could be enjoying a delicious meal and in the next you may be fighting for your life.

Choking can be considered a silent killer. You can't call for help, even if it's close at hand.

Roxie Pendleton, Physician Referral and Community Education coordinator at NorthShore Regional Medical Center in Slidell, knows first hand the importance of recognizing the signs of choking and being prepared to perform necessary life-saving techniques.

"Recently I was in a local re-

staurant with friends when I saw a toddler apparently choking at a nearby table," said Pendleton. "She looked scared, like she was trying to cry, but couldn't. I called out to the mother that the child was choking."

According to Pendleton, the mother patted the child on the back, but nothing happened.

"Without thinking, I ran to their table, grabbed the child from the high chair and performed the Heimlich maneuver," said Pendleton. "Instantly, a piece of sausage came flying out."

Following the incident, Pendleton recalls the panic she felt. "I went weak afterwards," she said. "I don't even remember making a conscious decision to do it. I'm just glad I had been trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and the Heimlich maneuver."

Pendleton took CPR a year ago through a course by Priority One Ambulance Service offered at NorthShore Regional Medical Center. She originally took the course because of her mother's heart condition. However, until now, she never had to perform any of the

procedures.

"Kids are constantly putting things in their mouths," said Pendleton. "Plus, their smaller windpipes make it easier for them to choke on food if it's not cut in small enough pieces. I can't emphasize how important it is for people, especially parents, to know what to do in an emergency."

A Priority One Adult, Infant and Pediatric CPR course is offered twice a month at NorthShore Regional. For information or to register, call (504) 646-5014.

Gulf Coast Medical Center joins Tenet Healthcare

Gulf Coast Medical Center has been acquired by Tenet Healthcare Corp., the result of a merger agreement with the hospital's parent company, OrNda Health Corp.

Tenet's recent purchase of OrNda added 50 acute care hospitals and dozens of other health care facilities to its holding which now are found in 22 states from coast to coast. Gulf Coast Medical Center, located between Gulfport and Biloxi, is one of two hospitals in the

Mississippi-Louisiana region acquired through the merger.

The other is Minden Medical Center, a 121-bed facility in Minden, La. To reflect its expanded presence along the Gulf Coast, Tenet has created the Gulf states region, including its hospitals in Louisiana and Gulf Coast Medical Center.

Tenet operates eight acute care hospitals in Louisiana with seven facilities located in the Greater New Orleans metropolitan area. Those facilities in-

clude Doctors Hospital of Jefferson, JoEllen Smith Regional Medical Center, Kenner Regional Medical Center, Meadowcrest Hospital, Memorial Medical Center, NorthShore Regional Medical Center and St. Charles General Hospital.

The Tenet network of health-care services also encompasses three specialty hospitals, several home health agencies, occupational health center, outpatient diagnostic facilities, outpatient surgery centers,

freestanding nursing facilities and health and wellness programs throughout the region.

Services at the 144-bed Gulf Coast Medical Center include obstetrics, pediatrics, a weight management program called LiteLife, bloodless medicine and surgery, critical care, emergency medicine and diagnostic services, including one of the most advanced MRI units on the Gulf Coast.

The Gulf Coast Medical Center is particularly known for its Wound Care Center which offers sophisticated therapy for the treatment of chronic, non-healing wounds.

Located on the Gulf Coast Medical Center campus is Gulf Oaks Hospital, a 45-bed psychiatric and addictive diseases acute care facility. Gulf Oaks Hospital offers adolescent, adult and geriatric treatment programs.

Gulf Oaks also offers a Therapeutic Day School for children and adolescents with acute behavioral disorders and Recovery Resources outpatient services, addressing addiction, relationships, sexual trauma, problem gambling, grief and loss.

A grieving child calls for special help

Reaching out to people who are experiencing emotional pain is often difficult and may become even more trying when dealing with a child. While the most severe feelings usually occur with the death of a family member, people — especially children — grieve over many other events in their lives, says Dr. Anne K. Bomba, a family and consumer science professor at the University of Mississippi.

Most any change in the normalcy of life can upset a child, while adults may find them insignificant.

"Children actually grieve over a lot of things besides death and divorce, including the loss of a friend, moving to a different home, starting to school or bringing home a new baby," says Bomba.

She offers the following tips for helping children deal with emotional pain:

• **Respect the child's feelings.** In any situation, the most important thing to remember is that a child's feelings are valid. Don't assume a get-over-it attitude, but take steps to help the child deal with the problem

however minor it may seem to someone else.

• **Identify the feeling.** Help the child find words to describe the way he or she is feeling, such as angry, lonely and sad. Talk about what's happening: "I know you're sad because you'll miss your friends when you move away."

• **Share in the pain.** It's okay to express emotions when children are present. It may be therapeutic for a close family member to cry with or in front of a child.

"Certainly keep it within reason, but if we talk and express emotions, at least the child sees that the situation is manageable and not something that can't be dealt with," Bomba says.

• **Level with a child about the finality of a grievous event.** Death is especially difficult to comprehend, and a child's depth of understanding doesn't always coincide with age, says the Ole Miss professor.

"Children's confusion can be reinforced by TV cartoons, when the characters are always

back for the next episode no matter what."

• **Alert teachers or day-care providers when a child is hurting.** Parents really do both the teacher and child a disfavor by not keeping the teacher informed, Bomba says.

"It helps the teacher understand the child's actions, and sometimes a teacher may choose to overlook some misbehavior that is occurring as the child is dealing with a loss or change," she says.

• **Offer a book that helps explain the situation.** Bomba suggests the following: *The Dead Bird* by Margaret Wise Brown deals with the meaning of death; *I'll Always Love You* by Hans Wilhelm is about the death of a pet dog; *There's a Nightmare In My Closet* is about being afraid of the dark; and *Father's Day Blues* tells the story about a young girl facing Father's Day without having a live-in father.

The professor points out that bookstore personnel can give professional advice on books that deal with most any situation.

MDA camp counselors sought

The Muscular Dystrophy Association is currently seeking applications from people who would like to volunteer for a week as counselors at the MDA summer camp in Gallman, Miss.

Each volunteer will act as a companion to a camper, a child or teenager, during the camp session held June 1-6. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old and able to lift a child.

"Camp is the highlight of the summer for the campers and many volunteers. It is one week of the year when youngsters with muscle-wasting disorders are fully able to participate in a wide range of group outdoor activities that are tailored for their limited mobility," says Paige Christopher, MDA staff camp coordinator. "This camp has a relaxed atmosphere with

allows campers to develop self-confidence and form lifelong friendships."

More than 4,000 campers are expected to attend MDA camps this year. With the help of one-on-one volunteers, campers will enjoy arts, crafts, sports, recreation and nature activities.

MDA is a national voluntary health agency dedicated to finding treatments and cures for 40 neuromuscular diseases affecting more than a million Americans. The association receives no governmental grants, nor

does it seek fees from the families it serves.

For information or to volunteer, call the local MDA office at 601-936-6862 or MDA national headquarters at 1-800-572-1717.

Information about MDA programs and research advances is also available electronically through the MDA Forum CompuServe ("GO-MDA") and its home-page on the Internet (<http://www.mdausa.org>).

Strengthen your bones with calcium-rich diet and exercise

Your mother knew what she was talking about when she ordered, "Drink your milk!" Not only does calcium give strength to your bones, but it also assists in the proper functioning of your heart, nerves and muscles, says University of Mississippi Associate Professor of Family and Consumer Science Kathy Knight.

Provided your diet is rich in calcium, your bones will continue to grow in density until age 35.

"Young adults from age 18 to 25 need from 1,200 to 1,500 milligrams of calcium a day. After that, requirements drop to about 800 milligrams a day," Dr. Knight says. "The body does not produce calcium, which means you have to get it from your daily diet."

• **Drink fluid milk.** Three 8-ounce glasses will give you the required milligrams, says the Ole Miss professor. Milk also has vitamin D which helps regulate the calcium in your body, unlike calcium supplements which do not contain vitamin D.

"A little known fact," Knight says, "is that a glass of milk actually contains more nutrients than nearly all sports drinks. Drinking milk is the best and most accessible means of in-

creasing calcium intake."

• **Choose the lower fat options.** Skim, 1-percent and 2-percent milk have just as much calcium as does whole milk, says Knight. Plain yogurt, cottage cheese and partly skimmed ricotta, and Swiss cheese are low-fat choices, says Knight.

"A cup of skim milk contains just 80 calories and no fat grams, while 1 percent has only 20 calories and 2.5 grams of fat."

• **Supplement your daily diet with common foods rich in calcium.** Although milk and milk products have the highest calcium content, other foods such as almonds, baked beans, broccoli, salmon, sardines and white beans are rich in calcium.

"People with milk allergies may choose to supplement their calcium intake this way," she says.

• **Combine a calcium-rich diet with regular physical activity.** Exercise helps the body store calcium in the bones, which allows it to be used more efficiently.

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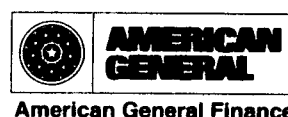


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AIDS prevention course

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Because the rate of new HIV infections in youth and young adults continues to rise, it is important for all youth to know the facts about HIV and AIDS.

Goals of the course are to increase knowledge about HIV and AIDS and to encourage participants to apply the facts to their own behavior.

The course is free and will be presented at the Clinic Two Building, 105 Medical Center Drive, Suite 303, Saturday, May 31 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Lunch will be served. Enrollment is limited, so reservations are a must. For information or to make reservations, contact 646-5014.

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Class of 1997

St. Stanislaus holds honors convocation

The 27th annual Honors Convocation ceremony for St. Stanislaus College Prep was May 6. This annual event is sponsored by the Brother Peter Basso Chapter of the National Honor Society.

Purpose of the ceremony is to recognize top scholars in the school and to induct new members into the National Honor Society, the French Honor Society, the Spanish Honor Society and Mu Alpha Theta.

After the opening invocation by Ty McMichael, vice-president of the National Honor Society, Brother Ronald Tablot, SC, principal, distributed the awards to students.

Susan Estrade, academic assistant principal, served as mistress of ceremony. Carolyn Cromwell, moderator of the National Honor Society, recognized the SSC nominees for the National Honor Society Scholarship.

After the presentation a reception was hosted by Mary Dillenkoffler, Parent Leadership Team moderator, and the SSC cheerleaders.

The President's Honor Roll is the highest academic honor a student can receive at St. Stanislaus. To be included, a student must achieve a perfect 4.0 grade point average for the school year. A plaque recognizing their membership on the President's Honor Roll was awarded to Court Bonis, Adam Brupbacher, Ben Crowell, Edward Flores, Morris Hamilton, Claudio Imobo, Alan Jensen, Gary Leung, Albert Li, Denni Li, Michael Mancuso, Robert Morrison, Davis Oliver, Kris Schaumburg, D'Mitri Sofianos, Reid Stone and Dustin Tasker.

The Academic Honor Roll is earned by students making the Apha Honor Roll for the school year which is a 3.5 grade point average or better. The following students earned this:

Brent Acker, Cherubin Alcala, Sarmad Azhar, Dylan Bailey, Timothy Banden, Alex Beneke, Nick Benvenuti, Jordan Blaize, Gordon Bohn, Derek Bradley, Andrew Buchler, Eric Bustamante, Brian Butler, David Canale, Mauricio Cardenas, John Carr, Marc Ceresier, Christopher Chamberlain.

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Timothy Baden was recognized as the National Merit Finalist and Star Student. Tom Ackerman was recognized as Star Teacher for the 1996-97 session.

Mu Alpha Theta inducted 19 new members

The following members of Mu Alpha Theta were recognized: Johnathan Blanchard, Gordon Bohn, Derek Bradley, Ben Crowell, Jac Currie, David DeBlanc, Matthew Dillenkoffler, Liam Fitzpatrick, Jonathan Gagnon, Mark Gagnon, Brian Geiger, John Genin, Claudio Imobo, Drew Ladner, Ryan Lawrence, Patrick Lee, Danny Li, Michael Mancuso, Christian Marrione, Brian McDonald, Alex Oliver, Joseph Pearce, Douglas Radzyniak, Roger Ridgeway, Kris Schaumburg, Scott Wallace, Jermaine Washington and Jason Worrel.

Robert Morrison, president of My Alpha Theta, inducted Jordan Blaize, Eric Bustamante, David Canale, Marc Ceresier, Aaron Coates, Daniel DeBlanc, Charles Doty, Edward Flores, Travis Fuch, Morris Hamilton, Alan Jensen, B. J. Keel, Chris Lierman, Dawson McCall, B. J. Peralta, D'Mitri Sofianos, Olan Suthivej, David Taylor and Justin Wadsworth.

French Honor Society inducted 17 members from SSC and OLA

The following members of the French National Honor Society were recognized: Elizabeth Byrne, Ariana Caboni, Ben Crowell, Erin Favre, Liam Fitzpatrick and Katie Hursey. Christian Marrione, Ty McMichael, Mark Modenbach, Robert Morrison, Emily Pela, Katherine Scafide, Noel Twigg, U'Nita Twigs and Jason Worrel.

New inductees were Mia Ale-

xander, Aimee Boudreaux, Leslie Esher, Laura Farris, Jeanne Fortenberry, Kim Frazier, Leighann Hartwell, Claudio Imobo, Kristyn Kolb, Diana Nguyen, Carrie Patterson, Russell Preston, Justin Pucheu, Lacey Sahuque, Julie Sellier, Alissa Stechman and Ashley Vinnett.

Spanish Honor Society inducts 16 members from SCC and OLA

The following members of the Spanish National Honor Society were recognized: Timothy Baden, Johnathan Blanchard, Sam Crowell, Brian Geiger, Drew Ladner, Thomas Mallini, Michael Mancuso, Joey Niolet, Andy Piatt, Douglas Radzyniak and Jermaine Washington.

Drew Ladner, president of the Spanish Honor Society, inducted the following new members: Sarmad Azhar, David Byrne, Jac Currie, Jonathan Gagnon, Steven Knight, Patrick Lee, Denny Li, John Ludlow, David Oliver, Joseph Pearce, Roger Ridgeway, Kris Schaumburg, Ryan Tracy, Justin Wadsworth and Scott Wallace.

National Junior Honor Society inducts 30 new members

The following members of the National Junior Honor Society

were recognized: Matthew Adam, Jesse Battle, Nicholas Benvenuti, Jordan Blaize, Cameron Byrne, John Carr, Marc Ceresier, Hunter Dawkins, Neil Favre, Edward Flores, Travis Fuch, Todd Geary, Morris Hamilton, Ken Harshbarger,

Alan Jensen, B. J. Keel Mylon Labat, Gary Leung, Albert Li, Brad Marks, Dawson McCall, James McDonald, T. J. McKeough, Chris Menai, John Pela, B. J. Peralta, Lance Pope, Mike Ryan, D'Mitri Sofianos, Reid Stone, Dustin Tasker and David Taylor.

B. J. Peralta, president of the National Junior Honor Society, inducted the following new members: Brent Acker, Cherubin Alcala, Alex Beneke, Court Bonis, Adam Brupbacher, Andrew Buchler, Brian Butler, Mauricio Cardenas, Aaron Coates, Drew Cranford, Kenneth Crawford, Cody Daggett, Miguel Del Bosque, John Dours, Charles Floyd, Garret Garcia, Jarrod Gilmore, Jay Grimsley, David Heaps, Matt Judd, Stephen Kulikowski, Brian Landry, Sherwin Leung, Chris Lierman, Patrick May, Robert Mayne, Sebastian Nieves, Robert Prichard, Edward Renz and Joel Tate.

Ladner awarded scholarship

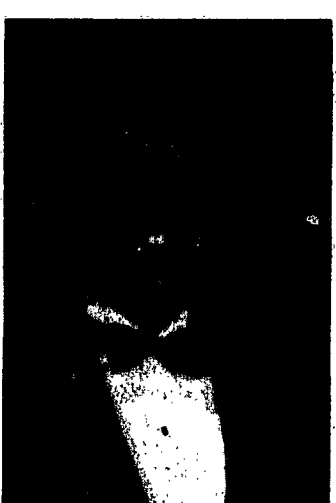
Drew Ladner, senior at St. Stanislaus, was selected as a four-year Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Scholarship candidate. Ladner will accept the scholarship to study at Auburn University.

Ladner is a member of the National Honor Society, the Spanish Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta in recognition of his achieving Alpha Honor Roll throughout his high school career.

He is also a member of the Key Club, Students Against Drunk Driving, Student Ministry and the marching band.

He has played varsity basketball for four years and also has his scuba diving license.

He belongs to the Catholic Youth Organization with whom he travels during the summer to volunteer in Saltillo, Mexico. He is also a telethon worker for



Drew Ladner

the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Ladner is the son of Andy and Peggy Ladner of Kiln.

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Beta: Sheila Barter, Lindsey Brown, Ellen Ladner, Morgan Nau, Shawn Negrotto, Diane Ryan, Amber Weatherholt.

EIGHTH GRADE

All A's: Elizabeth Chilimigras, Nora Oliver, Tonya Piernas, Jill Rutherford.

Alpha: Rachael Dauro, Katie Dennis, Kristen D. Ladner, Mandy McConnell, Samantha Neal, Bevin Wilkinson.

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Alpha: Roxanne Fletcher, Beth Harris, Colleen May, Roxanne McCullough, Megan Pigott, Jen-

nifer Samples, Emily Taylor, Thuy Tran, Allyson Vaughn.

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All A's: Leslie Esher.

Alpha: Mia Alexander, Erin Bourg, Terry Fulford, Alissa Stechmann, Ashley Vinnett, Patricia Williams.

Beta: Eleanore Bernadas, Aimee Boudreaux, Nina Crain, Michelle Cuevas, Jeanie Fortenberry, Kim Frazier, Tiffany Herring, Kristyn Kolb, Sheri Ladner, Chrissy Martello, Kim Martin, Katy Muir, Diana Nguyen, Christine Rivera, Julie Sellier, Olivia Willis.

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Beta: Ashley Artigues, Bethany Balentine, Mary Coludrovich, Marie Cuevas, Kristine Debenport, Kristen Gilmore, Michelle Madden.

12TH GRADE

All A's: Erin Favre.

Alpha: Elizabeth Byrne, Kieu Huynh, Emily Pela, Melissa Ridgeway, Carey Sahuque, Yvonne Salloom, Kathryn Scafide, Jessica Strickland, U'Nita Twigg, Amanda Vaughn.

Beta: Kristina Beuckens, Annie Boelte, Anne-Marie Cockfield, Julie Dreher, Kristen Gamard, Katie Hursey, Vicki McDonald, Sarah Taylor, Noel Twigg.

National Honor Society inducts USM students

Thirty-five University of Southern Mississippi students from the Mississippi Gulf Coast area were inducted into Gamma Beta Phi national honor society April 22.

More than 400 USM students accepted an invitation to join Gamma Beta Phi this spring, bringing the campus chapter's membership to approximately 1,000 students.

The Oak Ridge, Tenn.-based organization, open to students ranking in the top 20 percent of their class, stresses academic excellence, community service and good character.

Inductees from the area include:

Bay St. Louis
Julie Heitzmann, 18, a freshman pre-nursing major, daughter of Jerry and Debbie

Heitzmann; and Sheila Kosbab, 19, a sophomore chemistry major, daughter of Robert and Wendy Tucker and the late Richard Kosbab.

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The "WORD" for the Week

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The vastness and beauty of the heavens reveal the existence and power of God. "The heavens are telling the glory of God" (Psalm 19:1). The universe therefore points us to God. God's creation becomes a theater. In it God tells the story of redemption. The story is in Scripture. Psalm 19:7 therefore says, "The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple."

The law of the Lord is God's Word, the Bible. It encompasses all God's rules for living, positive and negative. It includes words of judgment and grace. This Word is perfect. It is without error. It cannot lead you astray. Following the warnings, you learn the disastrous consequences of sin. Following the promises, you learn the beauty of salvation through Christ. Scripture gives you a sure and trustworthy testimony regarding heaven and hell.

ENGAGE

Breckenridge-Ware



Adina Ware

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Ware of Petal announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Adina Lynn Ware to Paul Barron Breckenridge, son of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Breckenridge Jr. of McComb.

The bride-elect attended Petal High School and the University of Southern Mississippi, where she earned a bachelor of science degree in elementary education. She is a fourth grade teacher at Bay Middle School.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Parklane Academy and Mississippi State University where he received a bachelor of science degree in business administration. He is employed with Pike County Farm Bureau.

The marriage will take place July 12, 1987 at 6 p.m. at Petal Harvey Baptist Church.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend the ceremony and the reception to follow at the Crawford House in Hattiesburg.

Food drive is great success

The National Letter Carriers May 10 food drive was a great success. This year over 90,000 pounds of food were collected from Hancock, Harrison, Pearl River and Stone counties. 35,000 pounds of food were collected in 1986.

The non-perishable food that was picked up by letter carriers was distributed to food banks in the local community. Some of the local organizations that benefit are Hancock County Food Pantry; the Salvation Army Homeless Shelter; Christian Care Ministries; St. Vincent de Paul Society; Wiggins First Baptist Church; Ly-

man First Baptist Church; Long Beach Food Pantry; St. Paul Catholic Church; Biloxi Salvation Army; Gulf Coast Rescue Mission; Loaves and Fishes; Cedar Lake Christian Assembly and Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

The food drive is planned when the shelves of community food banks, pantries and shelters are at their barest, carrying these agencies through the summer until the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons.

Because of the great community support this project received, many individuals in need will be helped.

The stage and the story

If you count the testimony of the Bible as reliable, if you trust in the Christ who died to pay for sins and rose again, your soul will be restored. You will be renewed. You will be saved from the consequences of sin and death. The simple yet brilliant passage reveals the Son of God. Following God's promises makes you wise. You build the house of your life on the solid rock of Christ and His Word.

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Students planning to return to Pearl River Community College for the 1987 fall semester should apply for financial aid now, says PRCO Financial Aid Director Mike Dobbin.

Early registration for returning students is set July 5-11 and registration can be completed only if financial aid has been awarded at that time or if one-

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84 Furniture

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90 Pets

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91 Livestock

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93 Yard Sale

DEADLINES FOR YARD, GARAGE SALES advertisements appearing in THURSDAY'S Edition of THE SEA COAST ECHO is 5 p.m. TUESDAYS.

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YARD SALE: DISCOUNT TIRE SPOT, Hwy 90, Sun., May 25th, 8am-11.

96 Wanted To Buy

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138 Automobiles

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146 Rooms For Rent

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147 Apt. For Rent

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158 Lots/Acreage

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MILITARY

PVT RICE

Army Pvt. Roshamm M. Rice was graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Wayneville, Mo.

Rice is the daughter of Thomas J. and Bertha L. Rice of Pass Christian.

She is a 1986 graduate of Pass Christian High School.

PO2 WOODALL

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Roger D. Woodall, son of Neil P. Woodall of Waveland, recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean and Persian Gulf with

the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) embarked aboard the ship of the USS Essex Amphibious Ready Group (ARG). The 1982 graduate of Decatur High School joined the Navy in May 1982.

LCPL MITCHELL

Marine Lance Cpl. Gerald G. Mitchell, whose wife, Lindsey, is the daughter of Samuel and Susan Weeks of Pass Christian, recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean and Persian Gulf with the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) em-

barked aboard the ships of the USS Essex Amphibious Ready Group (ARG).

He joined the Marine Corps in November 1984.

AIRMAN SOULIER

Navy Airman Apprentice George D. Soulier, son of George D. Soulier of Waveland, recently departed on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy.

He joined the Navy in March 1986.

SSGT BRANDON

Air Force Staff Sgt. Kevin E. Brandon has earned an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

His wife, Julie, is the daughter of Ernest McKinion and Paula McKinion, both of Pass Christian.

ENSIGN PELTZER

Navy Ensign Thomas J. Peltzer, son of Miriam M. Smith of Pass Christian, recently participated in Exercise Tandem Thrust off the coast of Australia while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Independence, homeported in Yokosuka, Japan.

The 1988 graduate of St. John High School of Gulfport, joined the Navy in August 1993.

AIRMAN LACOSTE

Navy Airman Dillon D. Lacoste, son of Irving F. Lacoste Jr. and Arlene H. Lacoste, both of Bay St. Louis, recently completed a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean and Persian Gulf with Strike Fighter Squadron 94 (VFA 94), embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk.

The 1995 graduate of Bay High School joined the Navy in July 1995.

BAYOU JEWELERS & Watch Repair 466-0425



LHD 6 ready for christening at Ingalls

LHD 6, the sixth of seven WASP Class multipurpose amphibious assault ships being built for the U.S. Navy by Ingalls Shipbuilding division of Litton Industries in Pascagoula, is guided from Ingalls' floating drydock to a dockside outfitting berth, following her March 14 launch. LHD 6 will be christened "Honhomme Richard" at Ingalls May 17 by Mrs. Joyce Murtha, wife of Pennsylvania Congressman John P. Murtha. Congressman Murtha, a member of the House Appropriations Committee, will deliver the christening ceremony's principal address. (Ingalls Shipbuilding photo)

Wallace returns from Army

Sergeant First Class Joel J. Wallace, a native of Bay St. Louis, recently returned from the Army. He entered the United States Army in November 1977.

In January 1978, SFC Wallace was assigned to Fort Gordon, Ga., where he completed basic training with the 1st Signal Training Brigade and Advanced Individual Training with Company E, 2nd Battalion School Brigade. After completing his training, he became a radio teletypewriter operator.

His first assignment was with the 504th Military Intelligence Group, Fort Hood, Texas, from May 1978 to May 1979. Later in May of 1979, he was assigned overseas to Headquarters, 1st Infantry Division Forward, Goeppingen, Germany, where he and his Radio Teletypewriter Team excelled in an Inspector General Inspection.

He and his team were later assigned to a new unit, Detachment 1, 1st Military Intelli-

gence Company, Goeppingen, Germany, where he met and married Spc. Frances Marie Hegger.

In October 1982, he was assigned to Headquarters Battery, 18th Field Artillery Brigade (Airborne), Fort Bragg, N.C. There he attended Jump School and earned his wings April 15, 1983.

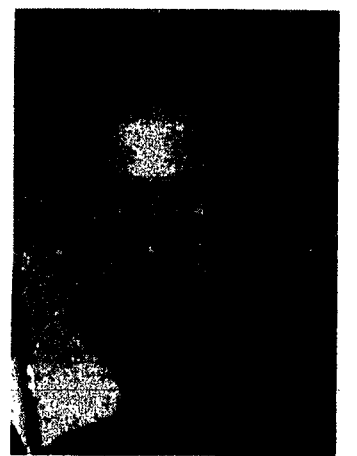
In November 1984, SFC Wallace was assigned back to Fort Gordon, Ga. There he attended Radio Teletypewriter Operator Instructor School with Company Alpha, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Signal School Brigade.

After successfully completing the school, he became instructor of the Basic Non-Commissioned Officer Course in Radio Teletypewriter Procedures.

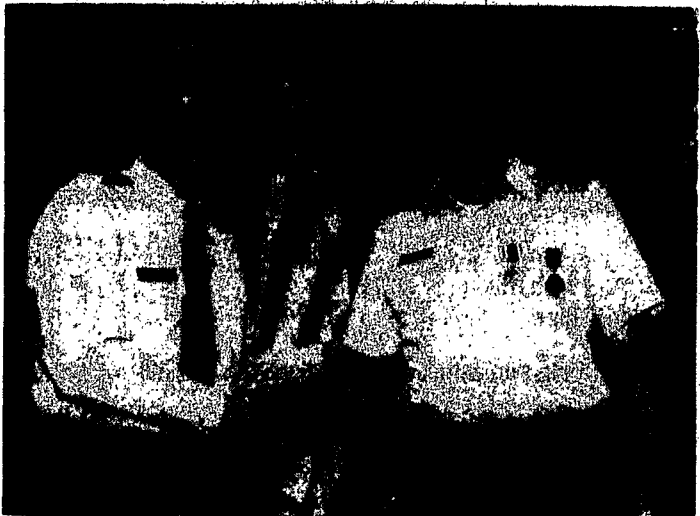
In April 1987, he was assigned to Headquarters, 1st Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne), Okinawa, Japan.

Sgt. Wallace is the son of

Johnny Wallace Jr. of Bay St. Louis and brother of Joy Anderson and June Holmes, both of Bay St. Louis. Sgt. Wallace has a twin brother, Johnny Wallace III. He is married and has two children.



Sgt. Joel Wallace



Gavagnie honored

Master Sergeant Robert L. Gavagnie, right, of Bay St. Louis, a personnel sergeant at Headquarters, Mississippi Army National Guard, received the Meritorious Service Medal from Brig. Gen. Richard Pool upon his retirement during recent ceremonies held in Jackson. Gavagnie served with the military for 28 years, beginning his military career in the U.S. Navy in March 1968, and in 1971 he joined the Navy Reserve. His career in the Guard began in December 1975 as a member of Detachment 1, 135th Transportation Company at Bay St. Louis. He earned numerous awards and decorations to include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal and the Mississippi Magnolia Cross. A native of Bay St. Louis, Gavagnie graduated from Bay High School in 1965 and earned his bachelor of general science degree from William Carey College in 1989. Gavagnie is a member of the Bay St. Louis Masonic Lodge and the American Legion. He is the son of Willard and Mary M. Gavagnie of Bay St. Louis and is married to the former Linda Serio. They have two children, Robert Jr., 19, and Alicia, 17.

Advertorial

Business Review

Careful planning is paramount to success. Home building is no exception. Haden "T" Brashier and Nancy Brashier, owners and general contractors of Diamondhead's only apartment complex, presently under construction, have had to make many decisions in the planning of Spanish Oaks Apartments.

"T" and Nancy consulted with Don Hessemer, Energy Management Consultant of Blossman Gas, Inc. to assist them in building energy efficient units that their tenants could live in comfortably as well as economically. The Brashiers chose propane from Blossman Gas, Inc. after making a cost comparison; cost per kw/h versus cost per propane gallon. After comparing the energy rating factor, propane from Blossman Gas, Inc., proved to be a much more efficient choice.

Spanish Oaks is graced with majestic, live oak trees that contribute greatly to the park-like surroundings. The building's exteriors will be stucco with terracotta colored, metal tile roofs and ornate wrought iron stairways. With an underground propane storage tank serving two buildings of four apartments each, the same architectural theme can easily be carried out through the landscaping.

Brashier Steel Structures, Inc., is building five fourplex apartment buildings, a total of twenty units with individual metering for each tenant. Located just three minutes from the I-10 entrance ramp, each floor plan will offer 1216 square feet of living space. Each unit will have two master bedroom suites with individual walk-in closets and luxury baths. Kitchens will be fully equipped and separate laundry rooms will offer washer and propane gas dryer connections with a wall of storage shelves. As an added benefit, each apartment will have its own screened patio, first floor, or deck, second floor, with built-in outlets for propane gas grill connections. This makes it unnecessary for residents to own and refill propane containers. Propane connections are also available for vent-free, gas log fireplaces.

The heating system chosen for Spanish Oaks is the Apollo HydroHeat central heat/air system. Hessemer said, "This is the most energy efficient heating system available. Hot water from the water heater is used to circulate through coils in the air handling unit. Then, it is fan forced throughout the duct work for a non-dry, humidified heat. The energy savings for the occupants of Spanish Oaks will be approximately 35% lower than with an all electric unit. I am sure this will prove to be a true benefit for the residents of Spanish Oaks."

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pictured L to R are Haden "T" Brashier, Nancy Brashier and Don Hessemer

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WHAT IS A COUNTY HEALTH COUNCIL?

It is an independent organization composed of citizens representing all geographic areas and communities in a county who come together to address health issues. They are people who are concerned for the health and wellness of the residents of the county as well as for its health care delivery system. They work together cooperatively with other organizations and agencies to accomplish mutual goals.

PURPOSE OF A COUNTY HEALTH COUNCIL:

- To educate about and foster acceptance of individual and community responsibility for health.
- To ensure that citizens have equal access to resources and services.
- To remove economic, social and geographic barriers to health.
- To foster citizen empowerment and citizen participation.

ORGANIZING COUNTY HEALTH COUNCIL:

The Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service has provided leadership for organizational and educational assistance as well as with technical assistance and liaison with other agencies. After the initial organization, the County Health Council becomes an independent citizen organization. Membership is composed of citizens who are community and health leaders. There are no restrictive membership criteria.

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS AND SELECTION:

The Councils should be composed of individuals and leaders who have specific interest in community health, yet have broad interest in and knowledge of community and county affairs. There should be members representing all population segments, economic segments and geographic areas of the county. Membership should include people who are health care consumers as well as providers of health care, and care should be taken to achieve a balance between providers and consumers. This does not necessarily mean a numerical balance, but a balance in attitude and influence. No due structure should be set up. Membership should not be contingent upon financial contribution. Every member should be able to participate in the planning and development process. The collective membership should have a broad knowledge base: They should represent groups with varying philosophies, interests, needs, objectives and priorities; They should know and be able to describe the health problems and needs of that segment of the community which they represent; They should be people who will speak out on the issues.

COUNCIL OPERATION:

To be effective, the Council must meet regularly. The majority of the Councils meet once a month. One of the most important functions of the Council is to provide a forum for presentation and discussion of problems, ideas and project proposals. This forum cannot be effective if meetings are irregular and infrequent.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETINGS:

Meeting times should be set to accommodate the majority of the members. It is necessary to select a regular meeting place, one that is convenient, comfortable and lends itself to the Council needs. Meetings should be reasonably brief and should stick to a pre-determined length unless those present wish to stay longer to complete work. Special meetings can be held when a discussion requires more time.

MEETING NOTICES AND AGENDA:

An agenda for each meeting should be planned well ahead of the meeting date by the officers. Some time should be devoted to education of the membership. The agenda should include committee and project progress reports and may include reports from committees, agencies and speakers. A copy of the agenda should be sent by the secretary to all members, also with the meeting notice. Meeting notices should be placed in the last issue of the local papers prior to the meeting. These notices may include major agenda items to help build interest as well as inform the public. Public service announcements on local radio stations two or three days prior to and on the day of the meeting can improve attendance. Announcements not only remind members of the meeting but also generate publicity and build recognition.

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COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Abuse - Assault

Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse	463-0000
Child Abuse, Toll Free:	1-800-222-8000
Gulf Coast Women's Center	435-1968
	1-800-800-1396
Hancock County Department of Human Services (children)	467-4100
Rape Crisis Center	435-1968
	1-800-800-1396
Adult Protective Services Hancock County	467-9466
South Mississippi Child Advocacy Ctr.	868-9586

Ambulance Service

Emergency	911
Non-Emergency	
Bay St. Louis (Business)	800-677-1124
Bay St. Louis (Non-Emergency)	467-9880

Alcohol and Drug

A/A Alcoholics Anonymous (24 Hrs.) Hancock County	467-8556
Al-Anon and Alateen Family Groups (For friends/family of alcoholics)	466-5780/467-9556
	1-800-627-1402
Gulf Coast Mental Health Ctr.	467-1881
Gulf Coast Rescue Mission	388-3884
Gulf Oaks Bay Area Clinic	467-2800
Gulf Oaks Hospital	388-0600
Homes of Grace	826-5283
Live Oaks Treatment Ctr.	863-0091
	863-0096
Narcotics Anonymous	1-868-8595
Sand Hill Behavioral Health Care	1-800-831-1700

Blind, Visually Handicapped & Eye Services

Prevent Blindness America	1-800-331-2020
Royal Maid/Signature Works	865-0324
Social Security Administration: Hancock & Harrison Co.	868-2900
	374-3401
Pascagoula	762-3370
Vocational Rehab. for the Blind	863-1111
	897-7621
Koskan Eye Clinic	466-5201
The Eye Clinic	864-2633
Lions Club	467-7943

Child & Family Services

Bay/Waveland Headstart	467-3285
Child Care Certificates	545-2137
Child Care Express Resource & Referral	1-800-877-7882
Child Support	467-2808
Early Intervention Project Prints	466-0926
First Steps Early Intervention	467-4510
Gulf Coast Mental Health Ctr.	467-1881
Gulf Coast Soc. for Retarded Citizens	868-9755
Hancock County Health Dept.	467-4510
Hancock County Human Resources Agency/Child Development	467-8050
Hancock County Community Youth Task Force to Save Our Children	466-0401
Sand Hill Behavioral Health Care	1-800-831-1700
So. Mississippi Child Advocacy Center	463-0000
	868-9586
So. Mississippi Regional Ctr.	868-2923

Child Abuse:

The solution requires understanding the causes and willingness to take action

Child abuse happens in every part of the country, at every income level and regardless of race, color or creed. The causes are easily understood, but the solution will require a dedicated effort over a long period of time.

Parents who are under stress because of finances, marital problems, alcohol or drug additions or who have inappropriate expectations, a history of abuse in their own childhood or may need some type of therapy or counseling are at risk of behavior that would be considered abusive.

These parents do not intend to abuse their children. They care for them and want the best for them. But to stop child abuse that is on-going, and to prevent abuse from occurring at all, parents who are at risk of abusive behaviors must be identified and directed to counseling, trained in anger and stress management, and given positive alternatives and parenting skills.

Parenting skills training is available, free, to anyone who needs it. The trouble is, many who need these skills haven't realized it yet or don't know where to look for help.

School counselors, state health department personnel and human service agencies, in most cases, offer the service or can refer parents to an agency that does. In order to prevent child abuse, it must be established in everyone's mind that the safe upbringing of children is the primary reason for the existence of society.

The apparent rise in child abuse is a disturbing symptom of a more fundamental problem. As civilization as developed over the last 10,000 years, people have become used to the relative ease of meeting their basic needs and forget that the reason we began to band together and cooperate, coordinate and share all those years ago, is that it was necessary for the survival of the species.

Hunting big game with spears and



clubs is more productive (and safer) when done in groups, as is gathering edible roots, nuts and fruit. So is providing for the safety of children. Providing a safe and nurturing environment for children has always been a primary function of human society and is necessary for its survival.

Prevention of child abuse requires that we reacquaint ourselves with the value of shared responsibility. It requires that we model behavior that demonstrates to our children a respect for one another and a sense of obligation to the community. Everyone benefits from shared responsibility and everyone has something to give.

Consider volunteering with one of the many recreation, social service, or health and human service agencies in your community today. You'll be glad you did.

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The "heart" facts on cholesterol

More and more people are becoming health conscientious and are trying to reduce the amount of cholesterol in their bodies. But how much does the average person actually know about cholesterol? The following basic facts on cholesterol may help shed new light on this growing health concern.

Cholesterol is a soft, fat-like substance that is found in the body's cells. It can be found in certain animal-based foods and even the body makes some cholesterol.

Many people do not realize that there are two types of cholesterol and that not all cholesterol is bad, but on the contrary, can actually help protect the body from certain health risks.

One type of cholesterol is called high density lipoprotein or HDL, which is considered the "good kind" of cholesterol because it can protect the body from heart attack. It carries harmful cholesterol away from the arteries. The higher the HDL level, the better. HDL level can be increased by losing weight, increasing physical activity and by quitting smoking.

The other type of cholesterol is called low density lipoprotein or LDL, and is known as the "bad kind" of cholesterol. LDL joins with cells and fats to build up on the inner wall of the

arteries. This build-up can lead to a blood clot, or even a heart attack or stroke. The LDL level can be reduced by maintaining a low fat, low cholesterol and high fiber diet, losing excessive weight and exercising regularly.

Many health care facilities offer cholesterol screenings, and require a period of fasting prior to the test to obtain a true accurate reading. Check with the medical facility administering the test about any fasting requirements.

Now that you have the facts on cholesterol, what is considered a healthy versus abnormal or unhealthy cholesterol reading? The following readings help determine the level of cholesterol in the body:

Less than 200 mg/dl—a good or desirable reading;

200-239 mg/dl—borderline high cholesterol;

Over 240 mg/dl—high risk for future heart conditions.

For more information about cholesterol, contact your physician or your local chapter of the American Heart Association.

By: Penny Bishop,
Director of Volunteer Services,
Professional Home Health

Health Department ... Many services offered

Child Health: Well baby assessments and services for sick children. Wednesday afternoons by appointment.

Children's Medical Program: This program includes referrals for major orthopedic, neurologic, cardiac and other conditions.

Chronic Illness: This includes administering cardiovascular, diabetes control and hypertension control programs. With a referral from a private physician to monitor.

Home Health Services: This program provides home health care to patients who are under physicians care and ill or disabled, homebound and in need of part-time skilled nursing.

Immunizations: Monday and Wednesdays, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. *Flu Shots—during flu season home visits are provided by our nurses to give flu/pneumonia vaccines to those who are homebound or have transportation problems.

Family Planning: These services are available on Thursday and Friday by appointment. Family planning maintains convenient access to counseling, examination, education and contraceptives for persons needing subsidized care. The program also supplies Pap smear screenings.

Domestic Violence/Rape Prevention and Crisis Intervention: Program staff provide resources for the prevention of family violence and sexual assault through contracts with domestic violence shelters and rape crisis programs.

Maternity Services: By appointment on Tuesday morning only. Provision of a comprehensive, risk-appropriate

prenatal care program working to reduce infant deaths and low birth weight babies.

Sexually Transmitted Disease Control Program: This program maintains and supports confidential services designed to control the spread of all sexually transmitted diseases, by interrupting the disease process and/or preventing the transmission of the disease through identification, treatment and contact follow-up.

Tuberculosis Program: Physicians, nurses and other professional staff in the TB program coordinate their efforts for early and rapid detection of persons with or at risk of developing tuberculosis, followed by appropriate treatment and follow-up of diagnosed cases and preventive therapy to persons at risk.

First Steps/Early Intervention Program: First Steps is the statewide coordinated interagency system of early intervention services for infants and toddlers who have developmental disabilities or who have diagnosed conditions known to cause developmental delays.

Early interventions identifies a child between birth and school age with or at risk of developing a disability or special need that can affect his or her growth or development and then provides services to lessen the results of the problem.

WIC: Appointments are available Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. WIC is a federally funded special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants and children.

Hancock County Health Department
3062 Longfellow Drive
Bay St. Louis, MS 39530

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Consumer Services

Better Business Bureau	872-8224
	987-8282
Governor's Hotline, Toll Free:	1-800-832-8123
Veterans Administration Hospital	
Bllox	388-5541
Guilford	863-1972
Veterans Services, Toll Free:	1-800-827-1000
Consumer Protection	359-4230

Counseling Services

Catholic Social Services	374-8316
Community Action Agency	
Hancock Co.	467-3198
Consumer Credit	
Counseling Service	435-2227
Consumer Money Management Ctr.	
Hancock Co.	467-5456
Gulf Coast Mental Health Ctr.	467-1881
Gulf Coast Rescue Mission	388-6364
Gulf Coast Society for Retarded Citizens	868-9755
Gulf Oaks Bay Area Clinic	467-2800
Hancock Co. Youth Court	467-7945
Helpline	374-4357
Sand Hill Behavioral Health Care	1-800-831-1700
So. Mississippi Regional Ctr.	868-2923

Crisis Hotlines (24 Hours)

Gulf Coast Women's Ctr.	1-800-800-1396
Child Abuse Hotline	
Nationwide, Toll Free:	1-800-222-8000
Gulf Coast Mental Health Ctr.	467-1881
Helpline	374-4357
Poison Control (Hancock & Harrison)	1-354-7660
Sand Hill Behavioral Health Care	1-800-831-1700

Disaster

American Red Cross	
Hancock County	467-7609
Hancock Co. Civil Defense	467-9226
Salvation Army, Guilford	868-1188

Deaf

de l'Epee Deaf Ctr. (voice & TTY/TDD)	897-2280
Information/Referral Srv. Message	
Relay Srv. (voice & TTY/TDD)	762-8557
MS School for Deaf	984-8000
Vocational Rehab for	897-7628
Hearing Impaired	897-7635
TTY/TDD	875-9613
AT&T Language Line	1-557-6254
AT&T Relay Service	1-557-7755

Education - Adult

Adult Literacy Program	467-9240
Community Education	467-3892
	467-3568
GED	467-9240

Financial Aid

Social Security Administration	
Guilford	868-2900
Veterans Benefits	800-827-1000
Dept. of Human Services	
Bay St. Louis	467-4565
Workmen's Compensation,	
Toll Free:	1-987-4200
Temporary Assistance to	
Needy Families	467-4565

Tips on cutting medical costs

Prescription medications: Accept the generic brand of medications when your physician recommends them. The generic brands are tested by the FDA (Food and Drug Administration) for effectiveness compared with the brand name and the physician will not recommend them unless they will be effective for your particular situation.

Annual exams: You should schedule annual physical examinations with your physician, especially breast and cervical exams for women and prostate exams for men. These annual exams can detect early signs of cancer that can be treated early, preventing larger hospital costs and can save your life.

Regular exercise: Regular exercise is one important way to help reduce heart attack risk and give us greater strength to resist illness. It improves blood circulation throughout the body and relieves stress. Pick an activity that you will enjoy and remember to check with your physician about an exercise program before you start if you are middle aged or older.

Personal health care: One of the most precious abilities we have is the ability to see and to maintain that ability, we should get regular eye examinations. You should get an annual exam to test for visual acuity and glaucoma, a leading cause of blindness. Some tips to help your eyes at home are:

Avoid eye strain by taking breaks while reading or watching television. Make sure you have proper lighting for whatever task that you are doing so that you do not squint.



Good oral health affects how we feel, how we look, how we eat and how we sound. Brushing and flossing at least once a day helps prevent the formation of plaque and tooth decay. Proper dental care at home can prevent periodontal disease that can be painful and can lead to costly dental work. There are many regularly available products that can help you in maintaining good oral health care at home.

By following some of these simple preventive procedures at home and having regular examinations by your physician, you can eliminate or cut down on your medical expenses.

By: Ann Christian,
Lifeline Homecare, Inc.

Tips for caregivers

A caregiver is anyone taking on the responsibility for the care of another person. Most caregivers find themselves in this role because someone they love is in need of help. It encompasses providing for the physical and emotional needs of a person and can be draining physically, mentally and emotionally on the caregiver.

If you are the primary caregiver for a parent, spouse, sibling or any significant other. Here are some general tips and advice that might help to make your job a little easier when providing physical care for a loved one.

- Learn proper techniques for lifting and moving in order to protect yourself and the patient from injury. Ask a nurse or health care professional to teach proper body mechanics.

- Prepare the home for the patient. Giving care is safer and easier when surroundings are suited to the patient's needs. Make arrangements for fire safety (install alarms and make an escape plan that your loved one can manage). Keep walkways clear and move furniture that might tip easily if used for support. An intercom or other communication system can be helpful when placed in the patient's room.

- Regardless of a person's physical condition, everyone needs privacy. Allow time for your loved one's privacy especially for conversations and visits with people such as clergy.

- Offer small tasks for your loved

one to help them feel needed and competent.

- Keeping records is important, also. Don't rely on your memory. You may need to keep a log of medications, times given, when refills will be needed and any reactions. You may find it helpful to keep records of treatments like physical therapy. It is a good idea to keep a record of physical symptoms and other things to report to the doctor or nurse.

- We know if caregivers don't take care of themselves they won't be able to care for their loved ones. It is important to take time to eat right and get enough rest. Also, take breaks from your caregiving to relax and have fun. To do this, you will need help from others and this requires being aware of available resources. Recruit family and friends whenever possible. Ask the doctor if home health or hospice might be appropriate. You can contact your area Agency on Aging for information on local resources.

Caregiving is challenging and can be one of the most rewarding things you've ever done. For more tips and information, you can write or call the National Family Caregivers Association at 9621 East Bexhill Drive, Kensington, MD 20895-3104 or call (301) 942-6430.

By: Deborah Baker,
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COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Food Service

Congregate and Home Delivered Meals, (Sr. Citizens over 60 yrs of age)	467-9292
Food Stamps, Welfare Dept.	467-4565
Hancock County Food Pantry	467-2790

Furniture, Clothing, Burnout & Emergency

American Red Cross Bay St. Louis	467-7609
Gulf Coast Rescue Mission	388-6364
Salvation Army, Gulfport	868-1188
St. Vincent DePaul Society, Our Lady of the Gulf	467-6509
St. Vincent DePaul Society, St. Claire	467-0703

Goodwill Industries

Administration Office	863-2323
Retail Store	467-9277

Handicapped Services

Independent Living	1-800-378-9155
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Health Associations

Alzheimer's Association MS Gulf Coast Chapter	867-6251 1-800-272-3900
American Cancer Society	896-7024 1-800-ACS-2345
American Diabetes Assoc.	1-800-232-3472
American Red Cross	467-7609
Arthritis Foundation Gulf Coast Chap.	956-3371 1-800-283-7800
Asthma & Allergy Foundation	1-800-7-ASTHMA
Cerebral Palsy (Jackson)	362-5607 981-3100
Cystic Fibrosis (Jackson)	354-8681/1-800-FIGHT-CF
Easter Seal Society	435-4505 1-982-7051
Epilepsy Foundation	1-800-898-0291
Kidney Foundation, Toll Free:	1-800-638-8299
American Lung Assoc.	1-800-LUNG-USA
Lupus Foundation, Cent. MS Chap.	1-800-558-0121
March of Dimes, Gulfport	896-0886
Muscular Dystrophy Assoc.	1-982-8514
Prevent Blindness America	1-800-331-2020 1-362-6987
Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation	1-821-5117
Sudden Infant Death (SIDS)	1-354-0680 1-800-638-7437
TelCare	1-888-669-CARE
Medic Alert Foundation	800-344-3226 800-432-5378
Diabetic Support Svc.	904-268-0537 800-727-6704
Multiple Sclerosis National Soc.	1-800-FIGHT-MS
National Down's Syndrome Soc.	800-221-4502

Health Services

Coastal Family Health Centers Gulfport Saucier	864-0003 832-7223
Children's Medical Svc. (Crippled Children's Services)	1-982-6571
Disabled Veteran Administration	863-4935
Health Department Hancock County	467-4510

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Health Services (cont'd)

Hearing Impaired	
De l'Epee Deaf Center	897-2280
Home Medical Equipment Services	
Ambulatory Equipment Services	1-800-844-4125
Apris Home Healthcare	385-2200
Coast Med. Distributors, Inc.	863-5919
Med. Equipment Co.	800-484-8918, ext. 101
Caremed	896-2273
Coast Med. Supply, Inc.	800-262-7946
Newman's Medical	800-748-0774
Saad's Healthcare Services	432-5622
STAT Med. Equipment	868-3519

Home Health Care Services

Coastal Plains Home Health Agency	800-844-0790
Crosby Memorial Hosp.	
Home Health Agency	800-290-7809
Kare-In Home Health Svcs.	864-2949
Methodist Hosp.	
Home Health Agency	800-622-8892
Professional Home Health	452-2997
Quality Home Healthcare	
of the Gulf Coast, Inc.	467-7696
Saad's Healthcare	832-3783
South MS Home Health, Inc.	467-0124
Unicare Home Health	800-662-7380

Private Duty Nursing

Nursing Management, Inc.	1-800-448-3634
Private Duty Nursing, Inc.	388-3155

Hospices

Community Hospice	
of the Gulf Coast	435-1948
Delta Area Hospice Care, Ltd.	474-6160
Memorial Hospital at Gulfport Hospice	867-4160
Quality Hospice	
of the Gulf Coast, Inc.	800-777-4279

Hospitals

Biłoxi Regional Medical Center	432-1571
Biłoxi V.A. Hospital	388-5541
Columbia Garden Park Hospital	864-4210
Crosby Memorial Hospital	798-4711
Gulf Coast Medical Center	388-6711
Gulf Oaks Hospital	388-0600
Hancock Medical Center	467-8600
Harbor Medical Center	255-5200
Keesler Medical Center	377-6550
Memorial Hospital of Gulfport	863-1441
Ocean Springs Hospital	872-1111
Sand Hill Behavioral Health Care	1-800-831-1700
Singing River Hospital	938-5000

Housing (Emergency, Low rent & Temporary)

Bay St. Louis Housing Authority	467-4545
Waveland Housing Authority	467-4247
Gulf Coast Community	
Action Agency	467-3198
Gulf Coast Rescue Mission	388-3884
Habitat for Humanity	452-4294
Salvation Army, Gulfport	868-1188

Housing (Senior Congregate Homes)

Dunbar Village	466-3099
Notre Dame Del Mar (Bay St. Louis)	467-2885

Hot tips for hot days, threat of heat stress ...

In the hot days to come during this summer, Mississippians should be alert to the threat of heat stress. Heat stress, sometimes called heat exhaustion, may prevent the body from being able to sweat enough to cool the body to a safe level. This usually happens when you are working or exercising in hot weather. The risk of heat exhaustion increases when the temperatures (84°+) and humidity (90%+) are both high.

Symptoms of heat exhaustion include fatigue, weakness, dizziness or nausea, cool, clammy, pale, red or flushed skin.

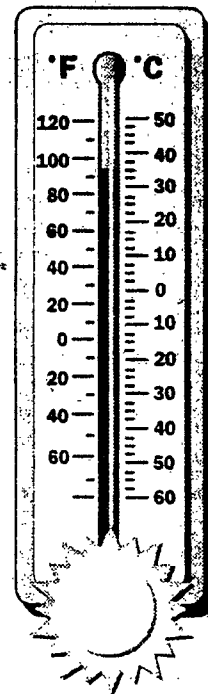
When symptoms of heat stroke are present, prompt action can prevent a more serious illness, called heat stroke. Heat stroke is fatal 50% of the time. Heat stroke occurs when the body stops sweating but the body temperature continues to rise, often 105° or higher. Symptoms include confusion, delirium, or unconsciousness, hot, dry, red or flushed skin, even under the armpits.

Who is most likely to suffer from heat stress? Young children and persons with cardiovascular disease are more at risk to heat stress when the heat index is higher than 95. Children's sweat glands are not fully developed to enable them to cope with hot temperatures until after they have reached puberty. Children often do suffer from heat stroke because they tend to be more willing to stop their activity when they get too hot. Adults, on the other hand, are pressured to excel in sports, their judgment may be clouded due to alcohol consumption or, just pressure to complete a job they've started.

Some older people today tend to fear having their homes broken into by intruders, so they often times will not use the air conditioners at night so they can hear better. This may cause them to experience heat stroke in an enclosed house. But most commonly when people experience heat stroke, they have exerted themselves outdoors in the heat without replacing lost fluids and have ignored how they feel. Any activity should feel good to be good for you.

Prevention of heat stress: good judgment and some simple precautions will help avoid the unpleasant feelings and possible dangers, related to overheating.

Avoid too much heavy activity dur-



ing the hottest part of the day;

- Wear light-colored, loose-fitting cotton clothing to reflect the sun and allow air to circulate;

- Exercise less intensely, or at least in the cooler part of the day;

- Wear light-colored, loose-fitting, freshly laundered clothing to reflect heat and allow air to circulate around the body;

- Avoid sudden changes of temperature, air out a hot car before getting in;

- When in a closed space such as a car or house without air conditioning, open the windows for ventilation;

- If you take diuretics, ask your doctor about taking a lower dose during hot weather;

- Wear a broad brimmed hat in the sun;

- Drink at least 8 ounces of water of diluted fruit juice each hour. Alcohol and beverages with caffeine don't count! Sports drinks are not recommended for prevention of heat illness!

- If you exercise strenuously in hot weather, drink more liquid than your thirst seems to require. For example, runners should drink about one cup of water 10 to 15 minutes before running and another cup of water every two miles or so.

Home treatment should include:

- Get out of the sun to a cool spot and drink lots of cool water, a little at a time. If you are nauseated or dizzy, lie down;

- Sponge the body with cool water;

- If the body temperature reaches 105°F, immediately cool off with cold water and a sponge or wet cloth all over the body or place in a cool water bath;

- If the temperature is lowered to 102°F, use care to avoid over-cooling;

- A conscious person should be given sips of cold diluted fruit juice, or sports drink, or water with a pinch of salt.

- Have a "hot ole time" this summer, without the difficulties that can occur in the hot sun!

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COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Language Interpreters	
English as a Second Language	467-4005
Hispanic Ministries	832-6193
Migrant Education (Vietnamese)	896-1211
Legal Services	
Area Agency on Aging (Ombudsman Nursing Home Complaints)	800-444-8014
Hancock County Youth Court	467-7945
South MS Legal Services (Biloxi)	374-4160
Mental Health Services	
Gulf Coast Family Counseling	875-6113
Gulf Coast Hospital	388-0600
Hancock County Office	467-2800
Gulf Coast Mental Health Ctr.	467-1881
Gulf Oaks Bay Area Clinic	467-2800
Mental Health Assoc. (Harrison Co.)	864-6274
Mississippi Health Assoc. Harrison County	864-6274
Sand Hill Behavioral Health Care	800-831-1700
Senior Care of Hancock County (Northshore)	467-4675
Mental Retardation	
Child Development Services	868-8327
Gulf Coast Society for Retarded Citizens Special Ed. Dept. for Bay/Waveland Schools Hancock County School Dist.	868-9755
South MS Regional Center	467-1021 255-6626 868-2923
Nursing Homes	
Dixie Whitehouse, Pass Christian	452-4344
Dunbar Village, Bay St. Louis	466-3099
Hotel Reed Nursing Center, Bay St. Louis	467-5462
Miramar Nursing Center, Pass Christian	452-2416
Woodland Village, Diamondhead	255-4832
Personal Care Homes	
Dunbar Village	466-5099
Dorchester, Long Beach	863-4337
Magnolia Personal Care	798-4007
Rape Crisis Hotline	
Gulf Coast Women's Center	435-1968/800-800-1396
Senior Citizens	
American Association of Retired Persons Hancock County Diamondhead	467-0752 255-4099
Alzheimer's Association, MS Gulf Coast Chapter	867-6251 1-800-272-3900
Homemakers Services	467-9292
Lifeline Home Care	1-888-388-9007
Nursing Management, Inc.	800-448-3634
Information, Referral & Senior Ctr., Hancock County	467-9292
Retired Senior Volunteer Program, Hancock County Senior Citizens	467-9204
Sand Hill Behavioral Health Care	1-800-831-1700
Social Security Administration	1-800-772-1213
Southern MS Planning & Development District, Area Agency on Aging	1-800-444-8014
Senior Care of Hancock County	467-4675
Support Groups	
Adult Children of Alcoholics	255-9213
Adult Children Twelvestepers	896-3922/863-2611

Women's health issues

As a young woman approaches her 18th birthday, she should arrange for her first visit with a gynecologist. At this point, she should begin yearly pap smears to screen for cervical cancer, a yearly breast exam to screen for breast cancer, and a yearly pelvic exam to screen for ovarian cancer. Her doctor should demonstrate how to perform a self breast examination, which then should be performed monthly by the patient. Family planning issues can be discussed at this visit, as well as calcium supplementation to decrease the risk of osteoporosis late in life.

Breast cancer is not common in women less than 40 years of age, but has been seen in women as young as 19. It is recommended to have an initial screening mammogram between 35 and 42 years of age, but could be done earlier if one has a strong family history of breast cancer. Between the ages of 40 to 50m a woman should have a mammogram every one to two years. After age 50, yearly mammograms should be performed.

After age 40, a woman should be offered a screening test for colorectal cancer once a year and a cholesterol level every five years.

The average age of menopause in the United States is 52. At this point in a woman's life her risk of heart disease and osteoporosis dramatically increases. Although estrogen replacement is not suited for every woman, it can offer many benefits to most postmenopausal women, including protection from these two diseases.

During the postmenopausal years, urinary incontinence often becomes a health issue. Urinary incontinence can sometimes be corrected with medication and special exercises, but often requires surgery to correct. The risk of vaginal, vulvar and ovarian cancer rises during the postmenopausal years and this is why continued yearly pelvic exams are important.

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Oysters...

do I need to be concerned about eating raw oysters?

Like most seafood products, oysters are nutritionally sound. The protein in oysters is of a high quality and is more digestible than beef or chicken. Oyster meat has a fat content of less than two percent and contains approximately 60 calories in a 3.5 ounce serving.

They contain as much of the trace elements as meat from domestic animals and more than vegetables and dairy products. Oysters contain more iron than calf's liver, are moderately low in sodium and cholesterol, and high in calcium and vitamin A.

People's passion for oysters began more than 2,000 years ago with the Romans and that passion persists today. Oysters remain a sought-after delicacy in most cultures and are enjoyed raw or cooked, eaten individually or as part of a prepared meal.

Worldwide, almost two billion pounds of oysters are consumed annually. From 1990 through 1995, Americans consumed approximately 50 million pounds of oysters annually. Of these, over 17 million pounds were harvested from the Gulf of Mexico.

There has, however, been a lot of concern about the potential health hazards associated with eating oysters. Although there is always a slight health risk associated with eating raw or partially cooked oysters, the risk for a healthy adult is minimal.

The concern exists because certain people can develop a severe and potentially fatal infection from a bacteria called *Vibrio vulnificus*. Most people are able to ward off these infections; however, certain medical conditions place some people in a "high-risk" category for contracting this bacterial infection.

People considered high risk are those with compromised or weakened immune systems. For these individuals, infection can cause serious illness or even death. People with weakened immune systems should always eat thoroughly cooked oysters and never eat them raw or partially cooked. *Vibrio vulnificus* is killed if food is thoroughly cooked.

Conditions that place people in a high-risk category for contracting a potentially fatal infection include:

Liver disease, either from excessive alcohol intake, viral hepatitis or other causes;

Hemochromatosis, an iron disorder; Chronic alcohol use (this includes a couple of drinks a day over a period of time);

Cancer (especially if taking anti-cancer drugs or radiation treatment); Lymphoma, leukemia, AIDS, Hodgkin's Disease;

Diabetes mellitus; Chronic kidney disease; Inflammatory bowel disease (or any person receiving immunosuppressive drugs);

Steroid use or dependency (as for asthma and arthritis, or for conditions such as chronic pulmonary disease, etc.);

Stomach problems, including previous stomach surgery and low stomach acidity (for example, from antacid use);

Immune disorders, including HIV infection.

Older adults may also be at an increased risk for infection as are children whose immune systems may not yet be fully developed.

Infection from *Vibrio vulnificus* does not rank statistically as a major public health issue for the population as a whole, but it remains a very serious issue for high-risk individuals.

Reports of illnesses and infection associated with *Vibrio vulnificus* are most prevalent during the warm months of the year when the bacteria can flourish, primarily April through October. In fact, 88 percent of all reported *Vibrio vulnificus* infections occurred between May and October.

This is probably where the old adage of not eating raw oysters in months with an "r" in the name came from.

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Could you have obstructive sleep apnea?

A person with OSA often feels extremely tired during the day and they don't know why. They think they get enough sleep because they may spend all night in bed. But they do not feel rested because their sleep is disrupted. They are so tired and may fall asleep at inappropriate or embarrassing times, e.g., while watching television, attending meetings, or even sitting at a stop light. Other people may only feel fatigued.

So what is obstructive sleep apnea? OSA is when a person stops breathing repeatedly during sleep; breathing stops because the airway collapses and prevents air from getting into the lungs; sleep patterns are disrupted, resulting in excessive sleepiness or fatigue during the daytime.

How many people have OSA? Four in 100 middle-aged men and two in 100 middle-aged women have OSA. Approximately 95% remain undiagnosed and untreated.

What are the symptoms of obstructive sleep apnea? If you or someone you know snores regularly and has one or more of the following symptoms, you may have obstructive sleep apnea:

- Snoring, interrupted by periods of silence or pauses in breathing;
- Gasping or choking during sleep;
- Restless sleep;
- Excessive sleepiness or fatigue during the day;
- Poor judgment;
- Irritability;
- Memory loss;
- Depression;
- Morning headache;
- Sexual dysfunction;
- Frequent urination at night.

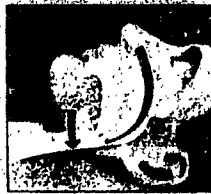
The most common symptom of obstructive sleep apnea is snoring but everyone that snores does not have obstructive sleep apnea.

There are people who snore but who still breathe regularly without sleep disruptions. A bed partner or family member may often know there is a problem before the person with obstructive sleep apnea knows. The bed partner witnesses the snoring, the pauses in breathing and gasping for breath during sleep.

The pauses in breathing represent

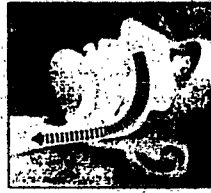
Obstructive Sleep Apnea

- Airway collapses
- Blocked air flow



CPAP Therapy

- Airway splinted open
- Air flows freely to lungs



the apneas; the person has stopped breathing. The restless sleep and struggle to breathe is also observed by the bed partner.

Many people with obstructive sleep apnea do not realize they have a problem. They think they are tired during the day because they don't get enough sleep; work so hard and should be tired; are just getting old, everyone their age is tired.

What happens if OSA is not treated? There is an increased risk for high blood pressure; heart disease and heart attack; stroke and automobile and work related accidents.

What should you do if you suspect you have OSA? See your doctor, he/she may refer you to a sleep disorders center for diagnosis and treatment.

Just remember, obstructive sleep apnea is easily identified and can be effectively treated. Treatment can lead you to a more active and productive life and not being diagnosed and treated appropriately can lead to other problems. If you would like additional information on sleep disorders, you may contact Barbara Butiro at Ambulatory Equipment Services (AES) at 1-800-844-4125 for names and phone numbers of national organizations dealing in sleep disorders.

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Ambulatory Equipment Services

Dealing with diabetes

Diabetes is a disease caused by the body's inability to effectively metabolize carbohydrates (sugars and starches). It affects about 13 million Americans which account for approximately five percent of the population.

Although diabetes can damage the eyes, kidneys, heart and limbs and can endanger pregnancy, these complications can be minimized with proper treatment.

The first step in controlling diabetes is to see your physician. He or she can prescribe a treatment plan which will include a healthy diet and exercise program.

Often diabetes can keep their blood sugar levels in a normal range through diet and exercise alone. If a patient's blood sugar remains high, a physician may add sugar-lowering oral agents or daily insulin injections.

People who would like to be tested for diabetes can have a screening test done. These tests are fast and easy to perform. They are often done free of

charge at Health Fairs.

The screening tests require a drop of blood from a finger tip and take only a few minutes to complete. Screening tests are usually done for people who have no symptoms of diabetes.

If a person is experiencing signs of diabetes, he or she should consult a physician for advice and the proper diagnostic test. The most common signs or symptoms of diabetes are increase thirst and frequent urination. Many people also experience blurred vision, mood changes, tiredness and nausea. Some people may have an increase in appetite, but they may also lose weight.

For more information on diabetes contact The American Diabetes Association, Mississippi Affiliate, Inc. at 1-800-342-2383. They can provide free information and a catalog of several diabetic cookbooks available.

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COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Support Groups (cont'd)

AIDS Hotline (24 Hr. Helpline)	1-800-828-2961
AIDS Information Hotline	
South MS AIDS Task Force	1-601-385-2437
Alcoholics Anonymous, Hancock County	467-8556
Al-Anon Adult Children of Alcoholics, Hancock County	467-8556
	467-1083
Alliance of the Mentally Ill	388-9319
Alternatives, Weight Loss Support Group	896-9111
Alzheimer's Association	1-800-950-6251
	867-6251
American Cancer Society	1-800-ACS-2345
Anger Management Program	435-1968
Attention Deficit Disorders Support Group	868-6018
Bay St. Louis Al-Anon	466-5780
Benchwork Industries, Workshop for Developmentally Delayed Adults	868-9755
Better Breathers & Friends	1-800-844-4125
Breast Cancer Support Group	436-1492
Cancer Support Group	867-4381
Co-Dependents Anonymous	865-9437
	872-7164
Combat Veterans Treatment Program	867-2813
Compassionate Friends for Bereaved Parents	392-2308
	864-6268
Compulsive Overeaters Recovery Group	374-5017
	875-9303
Crisis Hotline for Mental Health or Chemical Dependency	1-800-831-1700
	831-1700
Diabetes Support Group	255-9308
Divorce Recovery Workshop	863-0047
Eating Disorders Support Group	374-5017
	374-9303
Effective Parenting	452-9687
Emotions Anonymous	872-0530
Gamblers Anonymous Hotline	864-0442
Grief Recovery Workshop	863-0047
Gulf Coast Chapter of the Blind	435-4740
	865-0324
Gulf Coast Gay Alliance (24 Hour Hotline)	435-2398
Gulf Coast Mood Disorder Support Group	864-4579
	865-3403
Gulf Coast Mother's Center (A Support Group for Mothers)	863-4132
	897-1078
Gulf Coast Women's Center (Counselors Battered Women and Sexual Assault Victims)	435-1968
HIV Hotline (24 Hour Emerg. Line)	1-800-537-0851
	435-1029
HIV Positive Support Group, South MS AIDS Taskforce	385-2437
Kidney Foundation	762-0701
MADD, (Mothers Against Drunk Drivers)	831-4608
Mental Health Volunteers	762-1975
MS Council for the Blind	864-1421
MS Coast Multiple Sclerosis	396-9777
National Depressive and Manic Depressive Assoc.	1-800-826-3632
	864-4579
Nutrition Group	452-9687
Overeaters Anonymous	831-2646
Parent Support Group	452-4190
	467-6611
Parkinson's Support Group	374-1446
Transportation	
Bus, Greyhound,	800-231-2222

Smoking... the facts

Cigarette smoke contains 160 times as much cyanide as is allowable in industry. It contains 840 times more carbon monoxide than is allowable in industry.

The risk of lung cancer increases directly with the number of cigarettes smoked.

Two-pack per day smokers have 20 times the chance of dying of lung cancer. After 5-9 years of no smoking, the risk of lung cancer is reduced by 50%.

Smoking causes chronic bronchitis and emphysema, which currently affect more than 7.5 million people in the USA.

Smokers have a greater incidence of sudden death with heart attacks.

390,000 Americans die each year from the effects of cigarette smoking.

Smoking has been responsible for 16% (or 1 in 6) of all deaths in the U.S. each year.

Cigarette smoking is the major cause of emphysema, lung cancer and chronic bronchitis.

In 1988 the U.S. Surgeon General reported that nicotine is just as addictive as heroin and cocaine.



A "hit" of nicotine reaches the brain in seven seconds, twice as fast as a syringe of heroin injected into the vein.

In the United States, 1.5 million people quit smoking each year, but as many as 50 million adults continue to smoke.

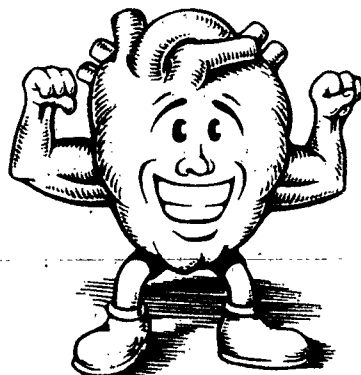
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American Cancer Society

Tips to help you stop smoking

The only way to start is to want to quit. Many people will require the help of formal smoking cessation program from their physicians or organizations such as the American Lung Association and the American Cancer Society.

In other words ... when you really feel that quitting cigarettes is one of the best things you can do for yourself, you'll do it. And when you do, try these tips:

- Set a date for quitting;
- Remove cigarettes, ashtrays, matches and lighters from your home, office and car;
- Keep a supply of low calorie snacks handy;
- Spend more time in places that don't allow smoking;
- Tell everyone you're going to stop smoking;
- Plan what you'll do instead of smoking;
- Call a friend if you need help;
- Contact your local American Lung Association or American Cancer



Society for help to stop smoking.

This information was collected from literature from the American Lung Association and the American Cancer Society. It was prepared on behalf of the Coast Tobacco Team in an effort to encourage people to stop smoking.

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Coast Tobacco Team
American Cancer Society

A Positive Point About Breast Cancer.

Now we can see it before you can feel it. When it's no bigger than the dot on this page.

And when it's 90% curable. With the best chance of saving the breast.

The trick is catching it early. And that's exactly what a mammogram can do.

A mammogram is a simple x-ray that's simply the best news yet for detecting breast cancer. And saving lives.

If you're over 35, ask your doctor about mammography.

Give yourself the chance of a lifetime.



COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Transportation (cont'd)

Bus, Greyhound, Gulfport 896-8080
Bay St. Louis 467-4272
Coast Transit Authority 255-8020
896-8080

Gulf Coast Medical Center, Community Outreach 892-1800
Lifeline Home Care 1-888-388-9007
Medicaid Transportation 800-757-9666
Senior Citizens, Bay St. Louis 467-9292
Train, Amtrak 800-872-7245
Veteran's Transportation Sys. 388-5541, ext. 5276

Telephone

South Central Bell 557-6500

United Way of South Mississippi

Hancock County 467-9501

Veteran's Affairs

American Red Cross 896-4511
Bay St. Louis Veteran's Svc. Office 467-2100
Counseling Services, Biloxi VET Center 388-9938
Paralyzed Veterans of America 868-6976

Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Gulfport 897-7620

Cancer... basic facts

What is cancer? Cancer is a group of diseases characterized by uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells. If the spread is not controlled, it can result in death.

What causes cancer? Cancer is caused by both external (chemicals, radiation and viruses) and internal (hormones, immune conditions and inherited mutations) factors. Causal factors may act together or in sequence to initiate or promote carcinogenesis. Ten or more years often pass between exposures or mutations and detectable cancer.

Can cancer be prevented? Yes, since some external factors can be controlled. About 90% of the 800,000 skin cancers that were expected to be diagnosed in 1996 could have been prevented by protection from the sun's rays. All cancers caused by cigarette smoking and heavy use of alcohol could be prevented completely. The American Cancer Society estimates that in 1996, about 170,000 lives will be lost to cancer because of tobacco use. About 19,000 cancer deaths will be related to excessive alcohol use, frequently in combination with cigarette smoking.

Diets high in fruits, vegetables, and fiber may reduce the incidence of some types of cancers. Regular screening and self-exams can detect cancers of the breast, tongue, mouth, colon, rectum, cervix, prostate, testis and melanoma at an early stage, when treatment is more likely to be successful. These sites include over half of all new cases. Of these cases, about two-thirds of all patients currently survive five years. With early detection, about 95% would survive. This means that of those persons diagnosed with these

cancers in 1996, about 115,000 more would survive if their cancers had been detected in a localized stage and treated promptly.

Who gets cancer? Anyone. Since incidence rises with age, most cases affect adults in mid-life or older. Among children ages 0-14, cancer causes more deaths in the U.S. than any other disease. In the 1980s, there were over 4.5 million cancer deaths, almost 9 million new cancer cases, and some 12 millions people under medical care for cancer.

Lifetime risk refers to the probability that an individual, over the course of a lifetime, will develop cancer or die from it. In the U.S., men have a 1 in 2 lifetime risk of developing cancer, and for women the risk is 1 in 3.

Relative risk is a measure of the strength of the relationship between risk factors and the particular cancer. It compares the risk of developing cancer in persons with a certain exposure or trait to the risk of persons who do not have this exposure or trait. For example, smokers have a 10-fold relative risk of developing lung cancer compared with nonsmokers. This means that smokers are about 10 times more likely to develop lung cancer (or have a 900% increased risk) than nonsmokers. As another example, women who have a first-degree (mother, sister or daughter) family history of breast cancer compared with women who do not have a family history. This means that women with a first-degree family history are about two times more likely to develop breast cancer (or have a 100% increased risk) than women who do not have a family history.

By: The American Cancer Society